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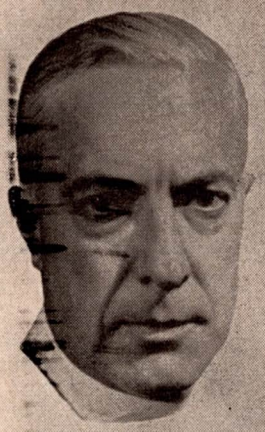

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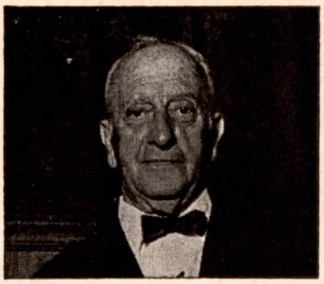


IN ITS forty four years' history The Ring Magazine never held a prouder position than it does now.

For the first time the ratings of a boxing magazine have been invoked, to the betterment of the fistic situation, and the benefit of the world heavyweight championship picture.

That the Massachusetts Commission has given preference and precedence to the heavyweight ratings of The Ring, and snided those of the comic World Boxing Association, is not to be wondered at.

In a press conference held in Boston by the Massachusetts Commission, of which Herman Greenberg is chairman, he derogated the rankings of the WBA. He announced that in determining a challenger for the winner of the Clay-Liston fight, scheduled in the Hub for May 25, The Ring's listing and not that of the WBA would determine the pairing.

"Clay or Liston will fight whoever is next in line in The Ring ratings," Greenberg said.

"We no longer are associated with the WBA and owe no allegiance to it.

"We feel that the ratings of The Ring are more widely accepted and respected, so we will go by what that old and honored publication says when it comes time for the May 25 winner to sign, within 90 days, to defend the title.

This means that the May 25 winner will be able to pick the challenger from among the top four in The Ring ratings.

At the time Greenberg made this announcement The Ring ratings were; world champion, Cassius Clay. Contenders; 1, Sonny Liston; 2, Floyd Patterson; 3, Ernie Terrell; 4, George Chuvalo.

This listing, dictated by justice and honesty in thinking for the good and welfare of boxing, presages a Clay-Patterson fight if Cassius again defeats Liston.

If Liston loses, and chooses to continue in competition, a fight with Chuvalo would appear to be a probability.

The Massachusetts Commission's action fires another deadly shot into the WBA corpus.

The association never had it so bad. It never before sank to the low level in public esteem and recognition which it now occupies.

The Terrell-Machen fiasco in Chicago added to the many other factors which have made the WBA lose face and respect. It governs nothing, it settles nothing, and now it cannot even make its ratings count for a Confederate shin plaster.

The Ring Magazine takes great pride in its ratings. That feeling of satisfaction

HERMAN GREENBERG
Chairman of Massachusetts Boxing Commission

has been strengthened by the mandate of the Massachusetts Commission.

The action in Boston means that not only are the ratings of this magazine to gain precedence over any other rankings in world boxing, but that the Massachusetts Commission recognizes the devotion, dedication and honesty of purpose which actuate The Ring's decisions and actions.

I want to thank Herman Greenberg and his associates and assure them that they never will have cause or reason to rule their stand in favor of The Ring.

I also congratulate the New York Commission for its voting down the proposal of Theatre Network Television to install in the Garden a contrivance which would announce the verdicts of the referee and the two judges after every round.

General Melvin Krulewitch, chairman of the New York Commission, felt that posting decisions after each round would play into the hands of the gamblers, would increase betting after each round, and endanger the public respect for boxing and its officials.

The proposal to install the voting machine came from Bob White for TNT, which sought to place it in the Garden for the Pastrano-Torres and Griffith-Stable championship doubleheader. The idea didn't have the support of Harry Markson, Garden boxing director.

In leading the New York Commission along the right track General Krulewitch stressed the clarity of vision and directness and logic of purpose which have marked the decisions of a body in which he is associated with Jim Farley, Jr. and Raymond J. Lee.

The amazing renaissance of fistic interest in New York continued in the Torres-Pastrano and Griffith-Stable doubleheader, which drew better than 18,000 persons and grossed about $240,000.

Torres should put new life into the light heavyweight division. One thing he won't be asked to do is to give the much battered Pastrano a return match.

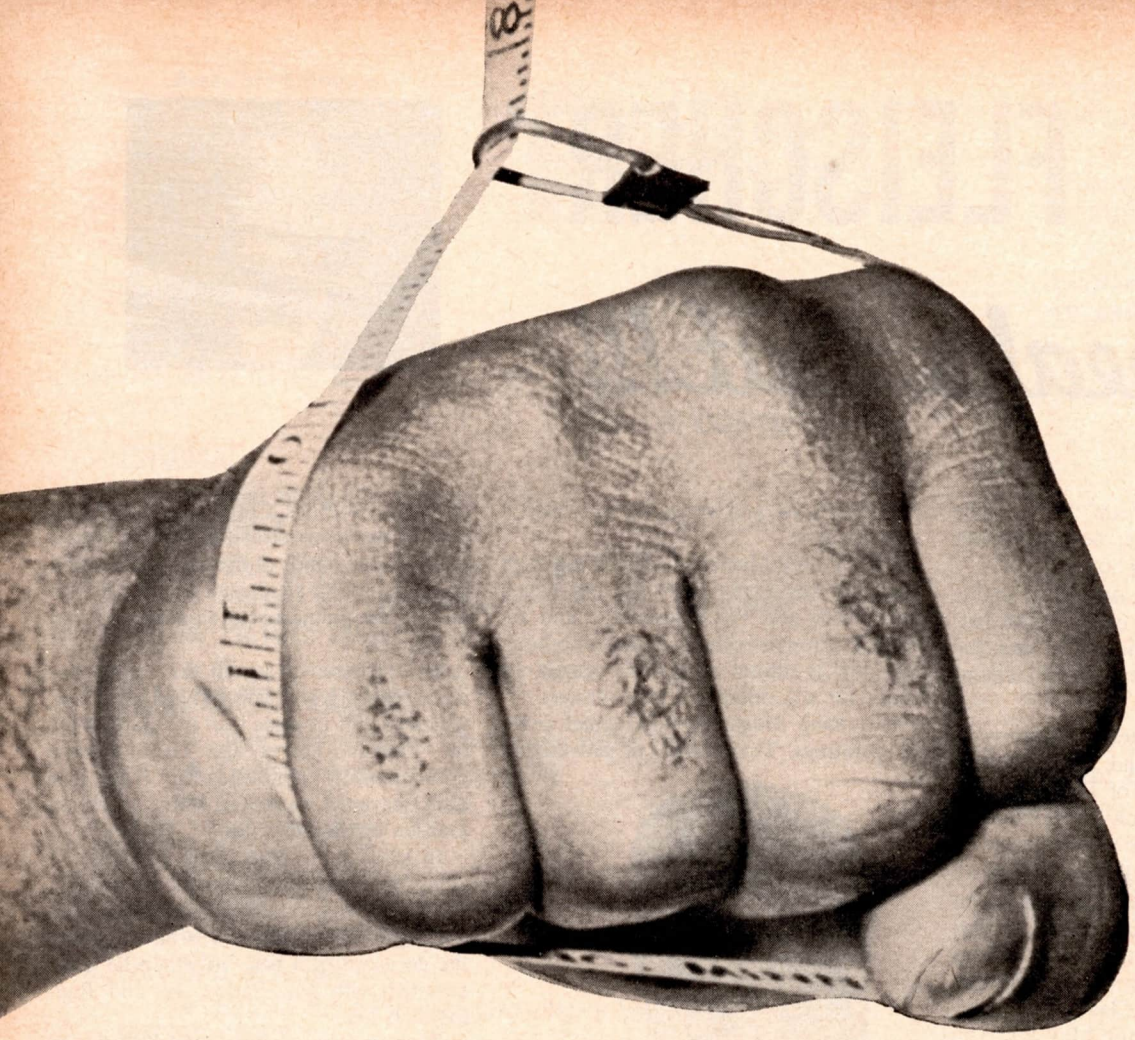
Because of the various commission edicts against return-bout clauses in contracts for championship bouts, those associated with the defeated title-holders have developed a new method for controlling the new champion.

Joey Giardello's board of directors tried it when Joey defended his middleweight laurels against Rubin Carter. Had Carter won, the Giardello "corporation" would have had exclusive promotional rights to Rubin's first three bouts as champion.

Promoter Chris Dundee of Miami Beach wrapped up Torres in somewhat similar fashion before his brother, Angelo, who acts as manager, signed for Pastrano to risk his light-heavyweight title against the Puerto Rican.

In the event of a Torres victory, the new champion's first appearance in competition would be under Chris' direction, site, date and opponent to be agreed upon.

Had the Madison Square Garden match been close, Pastrano unquestionably would have been the opponent, and Miami Beach the scene.



This is the fist which Sonny Liston will project in Cassius Clay's direction in their return match. The maulie measures some ten inches across and, according to Floyd Patterson, when it lands it hurts.

CLAY SAYS, *"I Have A Secret!"*

By DAN DANIEL

WHEN Cassius Clay went into the ring at Miami Beach on February 25, 1964, to engage Sonny Liston for the heavyweight title Old Sunshine was an 8 to 1 favorite. As a matter of fact, betting on the fight was well nigh negligible. Anybody willing to risk 100 grand on Clay's chances could have got 10 to 1.

As we all know, Clay took the championship virtually by default. A somewhat mussed up Liston was sitting in his corner, unresponsive, when the time came to start the seventh round. Clay announced, *"I am The Greatest."*

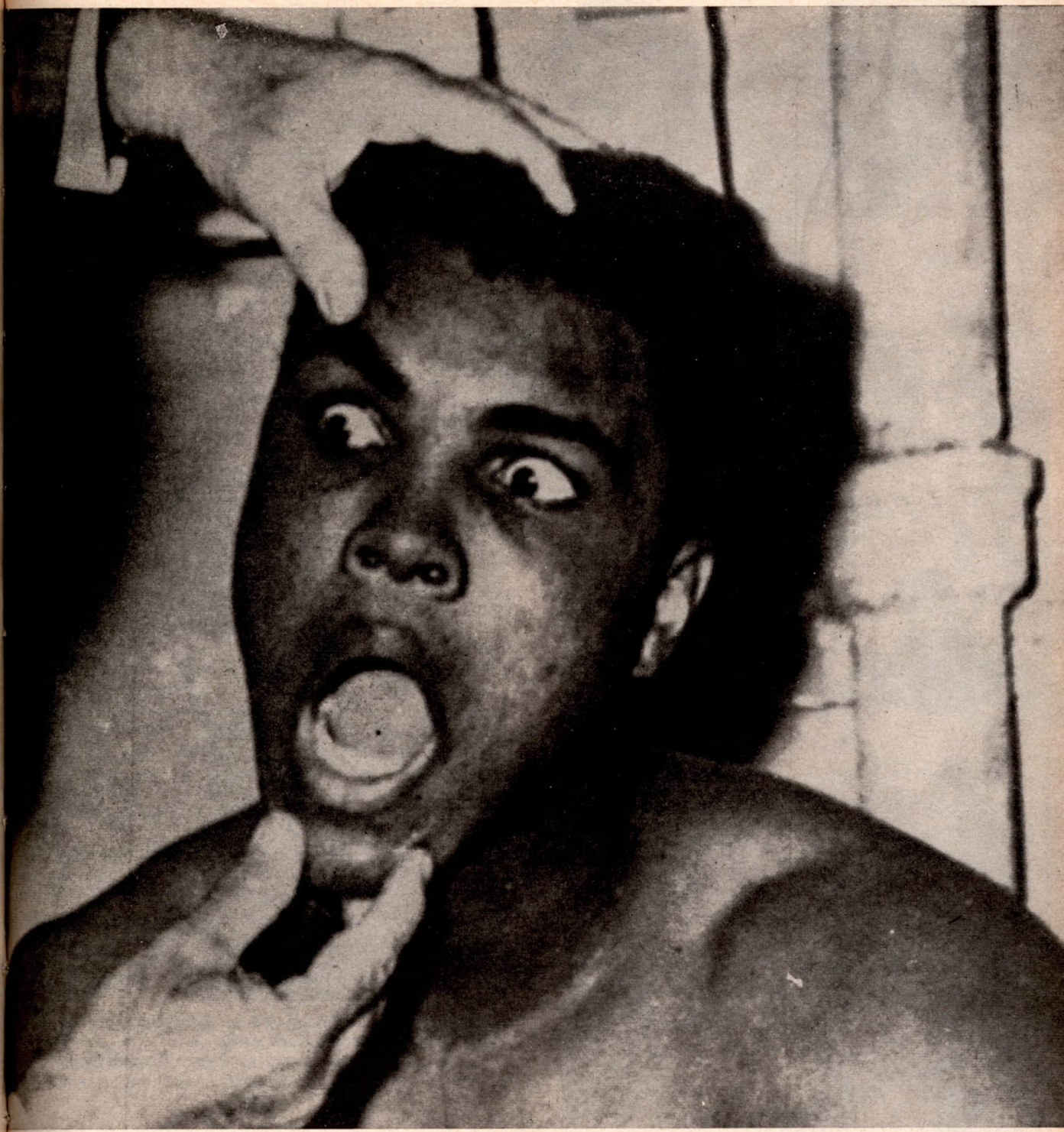
Liston insisted that he had injured an arm, a shoulder, a resolve and a determination, and found support from a group of local medical and surgical specialists.

They pored over x-ray pictures, they poured out cascades of MD mumbo jumbo, and listeners and readers wondered how Liston had gone past the first round.

The writer has seen movies of that fight no fewer than six times and has yet to discover any discernible evidences of injury, muscular deterioration, calcifications, bursitis, disturbances of the bony structure of the punching apparatus, or violent hemorrhaging in the vicinity of either shoulder, collar bone, or ulna bone.

Let it be made plain that this does not mean Liston was faking an injury, or the medicos were guilty of misreading the x-ray pictures.

It all came down to this,—Clay, younger, far more mobile, in fine shape, won the heavyweight championship. Liston, older, far less adroit, in poor physical shape at the outset and in low mental shape after he had shot his bolt in the fifth round, lost the title.



The famous and almost always open Clay kisser finds itself in a strange situation. Nothing is coming out of that word funnel because Cassius is being examined by a throat specialist, who has warned his subject to refrain from saying even *"Ah!"*

Overconfident, lazy, over-estimating himself and greatly under-rating Clay, the Sunshine Boy had "trained" for a two round exhibition. He got what he deserved.

Clay refuses to pick the round in which he plans to stop Liston. But he has a secret, he says.

"You saw what I did to Liston down in Florida," Muhammed said. *"Well, you will see the job done in even more convincing style.*

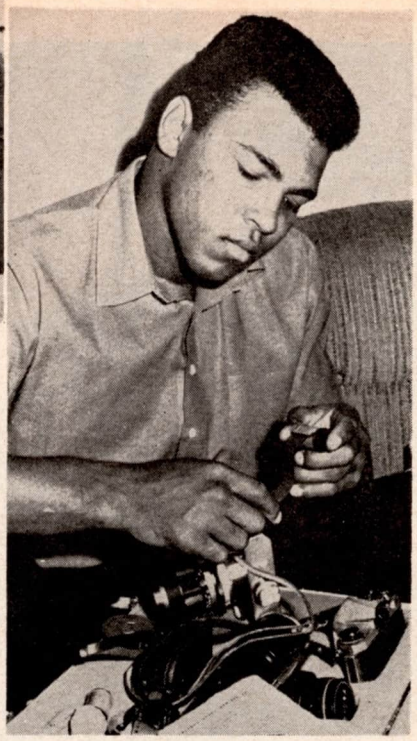
"I have seen those movies time and again. I have watched them for tipoffs on Liston, and mistakes by myself. I was not faultless. I admit that.

"Studying the films I have discovered what Liston positively cannot do, especially at his age. I have found out how to beat him beyond a doubt, and how to push this man, the Big Bear, out of the heavyweight picture.

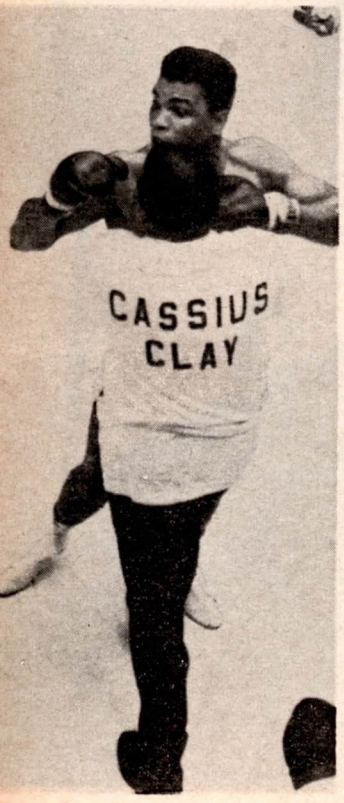
"When I beat him again he will be finished as a title character. He may want to stick around for pay days. But nobody will talk of him again as a heavyweight contender. Don't cry over him. He has cashed in plenty.

"I will beat Liston and then I will beat Patterson, and by that

Up in the corner are Clay's bride Sonji and, of course, the world champion. They live in a Chicago apartment which not so long ago was visited by fire, reported to be of arsonous origin.



Did you know that Muhammed fools around with cameras? He has become a skilled photographer. Here he is putting together one of his $400 cameras.



Cassius Clay becomes the heavyweight champion of the world at Miami Beach on February 25, 1964. Referee Barney Felix announces the end. Sonny Liston is sitting in his corner, failing to come out for the seventh round. Cass appears to be surprised.

time Chuvalo may be in line for a shot at the title.

"You see, I have a lot of work, at high prices, before me.

"You come to my training camp say a week before the fight and watch closely. That's all I can tell you now. Liston cannot beat me."

On May 25, in the Boston Garden, Clay will be the defender. This time he will come into the ring close to even.

Liston will be in better shape than he was on February 25, 1964. But he will fight at a physical and mental disadvantage.

It is accepted quite generally that Liston is some eight years older than his advertised 32.

At forty, a fighter does not achieve peak condition twice within six months. The Sunshine Boy was in fine fettle last December. But Clay suffered a hernia attack, underwent an emergency operation, and forced a half year's postponement.

Now it's up to Clay to demonstrate once again the mobility which won the title for him.

Now it's up to Liston to summon the punching power with which he made short shrift of Floyd Patterson in two consecutive meetings.

Can Clay again dance around the much older Liston to victory?

Can Liston force Cassius,—Muhammed Ali, if you prefer,—to stop moving long enough to set up a target for Sonny?

There are vital psychological factors in this fight. In their first meeting Cassius was at a mental disadvantage. Many of the experts had staked their reputations on their statements that the man who had stopped Patterson twice within the first round was one of the greatest heavyweights in the history of the entire universe.

Clay found himself going against a champion whom the knowing guys had set up as a consummate boxer, a possibly matchless hitter, a mental paragon, and maybe the all-time No. 3 title holder behind Joe Louis and Jack Dempsey.

When, much to his amazement, Cassius saw Liston remain in his corner when it came time to fight the seventh round, something happened to the Olympic champion's brain box. Now he was The Greatest! Now he was the Miracle Man of ring history. The Consummate Cassius.

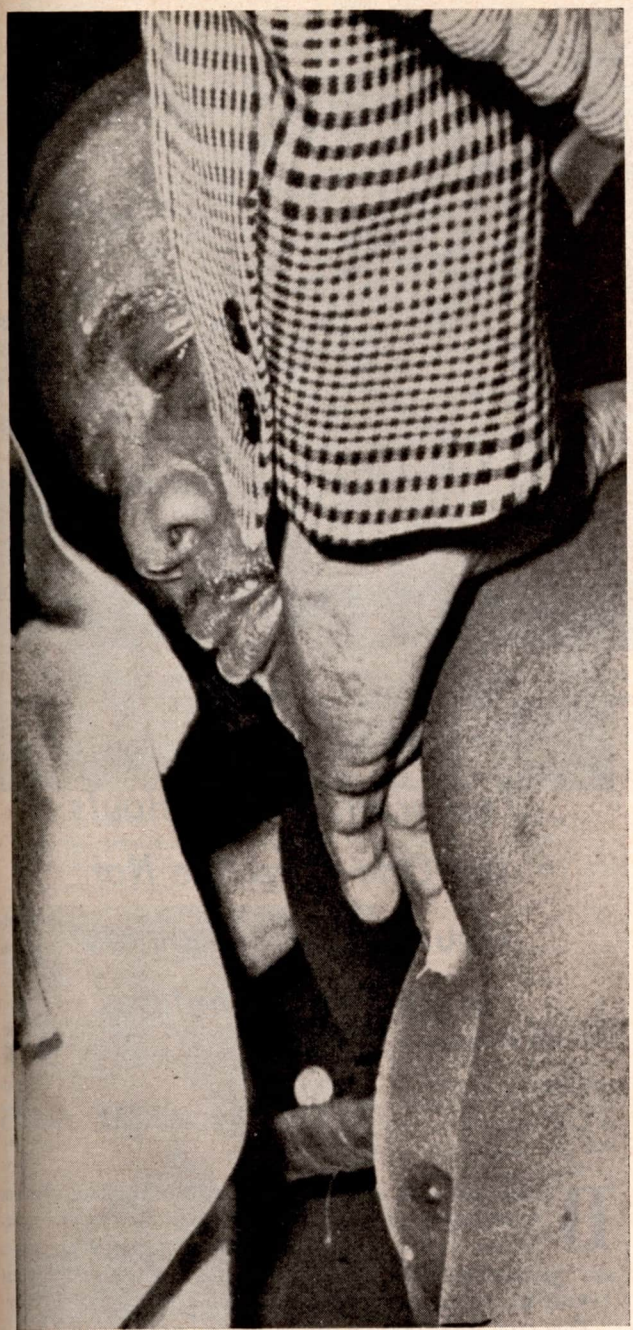
As the Day of Decision nears, the silly World Boxing Association continues to insist that Clay no longer is the champion and that both the Muslim and Sonny are under suspension for violating a WBA edict which gives even that humorous organization a big laugh.

Finding Cass and Charley thumbing their pugilistic noses at them, officials of the WBA set up their own version of an elimination tournament.

They sent Ernie Terrell and Eddie Machen into a Chicago ring to start the weeding out process.

In a rumble which was a fistic and financial flop, Terrell outwrestled Eddie. After the fight the old International Arena

Did this Clay right to Liston's left shoulder in the sixth round lose the title for Sonny? The beaten title holder complained of injuries to that shoulder.



Picture of misery and defeat. Here we see Liston sitting in his corner instead of responding for the seventh round. It is a camera shot of abject surrender by Patterson's two-time conqueror.

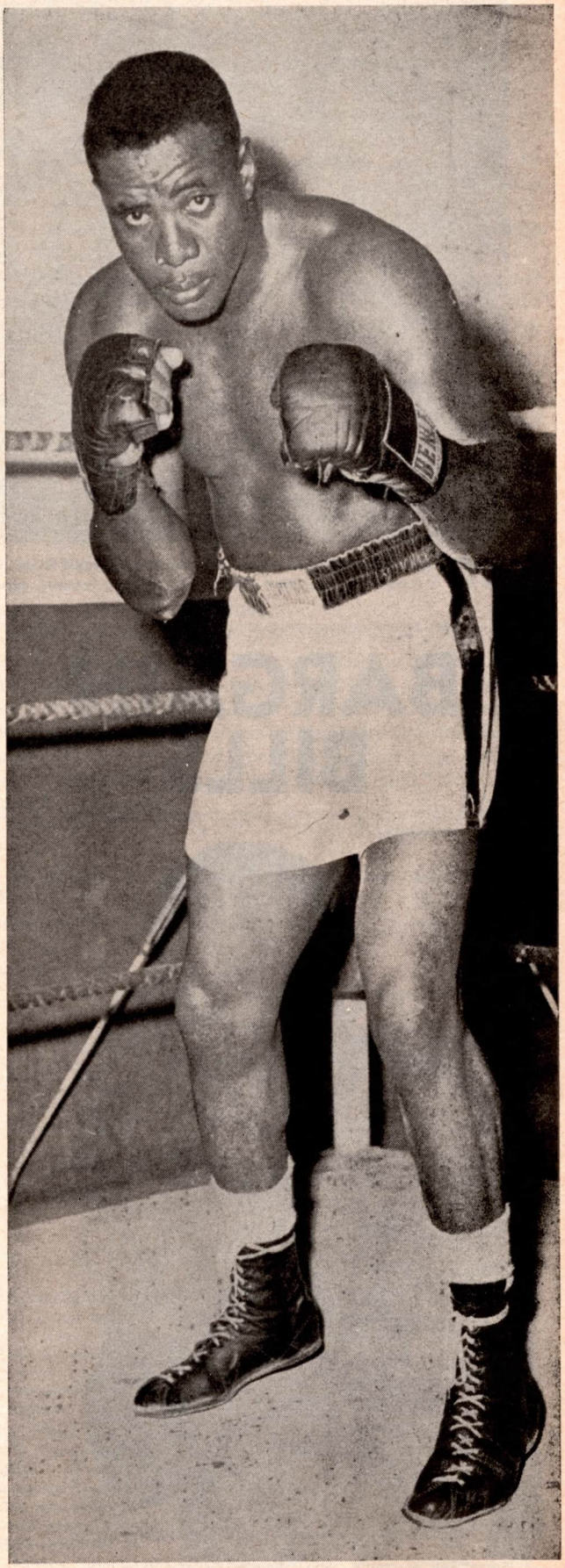
smelled like New York's Garden during the rodeo.

Now the jocular WBA wants Patterson to fight Terrell. There will be no such meeting. It might be an interesting wayside encounter but there is no intense demand for it.

The WBA once again has turned its major attention to finding fights in distant places in which some of its officials might officiate, for a fee.

The question of precedence in the heavyweight ratings came up late in March in a press conference held by the Massachusetts Commission in Boston, under the chairmanship of Herman Greenberg.

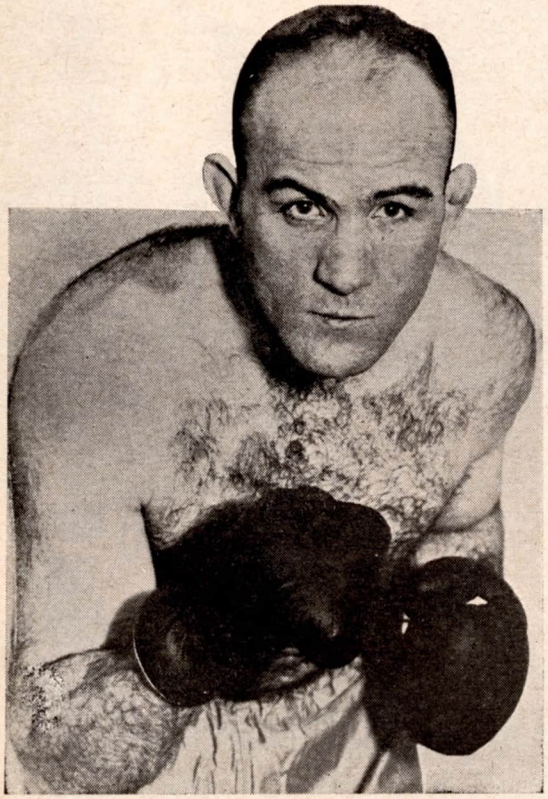
This conference reaffirmed the importance of the monthly and annual ratings of the boxers of the world by the Ring Magazin under the aegis of Nat Fleischer, and derogated the alleged ranking lists issued by the WBA. *(Continued on page 49)*



Yes, this is Liston. It shows him when he was considerably younger, unencumbered by riches, uninvolved in the heavyweight championship situation. Quite a scowl Charley is featuring. Or is he thinking!

A $50 share of the capital stock of the famous Olympic Club of New Orleans, where three-day championship carnival was staged in 1892. On left is report of the Contest Committee, showing receipts, expenses and profits of boxing's first super promotion.

BARGAIN BILLS



Marcel Thil of France, who defended his middleweight laurels in a state which refused to recognize him as champion. Thil lost to Fred Apostoli in the Carnival of Champions in New York in summer of 1937.

Two or More Title Bouts On One Card Are Not Unusual Developments in Boxing Promotions

By JERSEY JONES

BARGAIN bills, with two or more world championships contested on single programs, such as the recent double-header in Madison Square Garden, are by no means strange developments in this rugged trade. Through the years history has chronicled several of them.

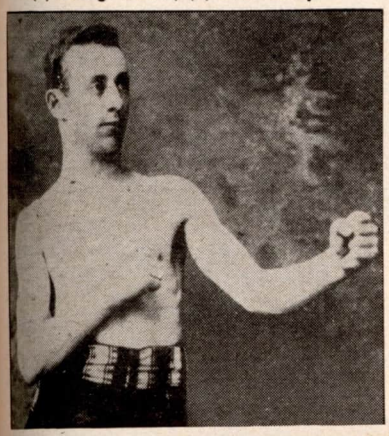
One rare distinction earned by Emile Griffith is that he has appeared as defending welterweight champion on two of these elaborate presentations—and both times against Cuban challengers!

Prior to his recent get-together with Jose Stable in the Garden, Griffith had shown at the gala extravaganza sponsored by George Parnassus and the Eatons, Cal and Aileen, in Los Angeles on March 21, 1963. On that occasion, Emile didn't fare too well—he lost his laurels to Luis Rodriguez on a disputed decision.

That was the promotion in which tragedy stalked through the vast Dodger Stadium. In one of the other matches, Davey Moore not only lost the featherweight title to Sugar Ramos, but suffered fatal injuries when knocked out in the tenth round.

Also on the card was a bout advertised as for the junior welterweight "championship." Duilio Loi, the Italian holder of the synthetic title, had just announced his retirement. As Loi's predecessor, Eddie Perkins was recognized as No. 1 title pretender, and it was planned to match him with Battling Torres of Mexico for the vacant laurels. It so happened, however, that Perkins was booked for another engagement somewhere else

A contemporary etching of the Olympic Club in New Orleans and the contestants appearing in the three title bouts—(1) John L. Sullivan, (2) Jim Corbett, (3) Jack McAuliffe, (4) Billy Myer, (5) George Dixon, (6) Jack Skelly.



Jack Skelly who, after brilliant amateur career, fought for world championship in his first professional bout. He lost to George Dixon in New Orleans.

and would not be available. Roberto Cruz, the Filipino champion, was imported to fill in for the Chicagoan. He registered a stunning surprise by flattening Torres in one round.

THE CARNIVAL OF CHAMPIONS

The most elaborate fight program ever arranged was the Carnival of Champions, promoted by Mike Jacobs in New York's Polo Grounds on September 23, 1937.

Mike booked *four* world title matches for the auspicious occasion, but an ironic touch was injected into proceedings when the New York State Athletic Commission refused to sanction one of them as for a championship—the middleweight clash between Marcel Thil and Fred Apostoli.

Thil was defending his laurels in the only locality that didn't recognize him as champion! All over the rest of the world the bald-headed French veteran was accepted as title-holder, but New York's allegiance was to Freddie Steele of Seattle.

As it happened, Thil was the only knockout victim on the card. With the Frenchman's features smeared with gore that poured out of ugly gashes over both eyes, his handlers conceded defeat at the end of the tenth round.

One other title swapped owners that night, Sixto Escobar losing the decision and the bantamweight laurels to Lou Salica.

In the other meetings, Barney Ross retained the welterweight championship by outpointing Ceferino Garcia, and Lou Ambers held on to his lightweight title by winning from Pedro Montanez.

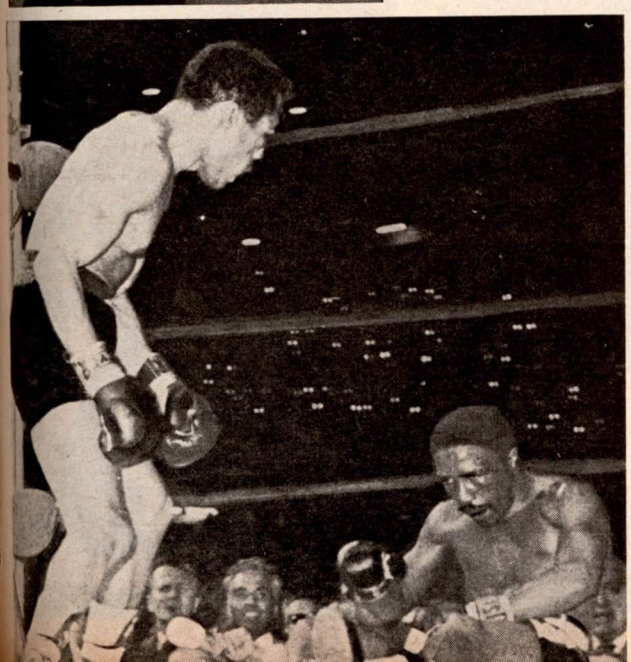
WHEN TWO CHAMPIONS WON

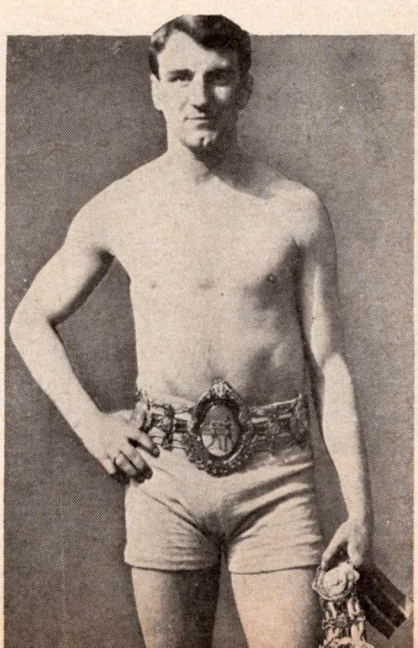
During the no-decision era of the Frawley law in New York, there was stiff competition among the Harlem Sporting Club, the Manhattan Casino and the St. Nicholas Arena. All-star cards became the usual thing, with champions often topping the programs. One of the most imaginative matchmakers of those days, Lew Raymond, operating at the Harlem, came up with a program for March 24, 1916, that could only be described as sensational.

Lew didn't arrange for one champion on the card—he lined up *three!*

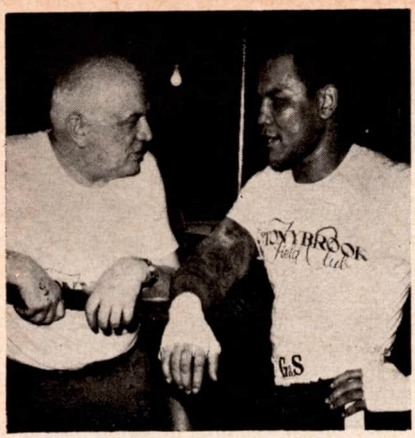
Unfortunately, one of them was unable to appear. Johnny (Kewpie) Ertle, then disputing Kid Williams' right to the bantamweight title, boxed in Philadelphia a few nights before and suffered a gashed eyebrow, necessitating his withdrawal from the Harlem card.

The other two champions fulfilled *(Continued on page 56)*





(Left) tragedy marred triple championship card in Los Angeles in 1963. Davey Moore not only lost his featherweight title but suffered fatal injuries when knocked out by Sugar Ramos. (Right) lightweight champion Freddie Welsh, who was one of two world title-holders appearing on old Harlem Sporting Club card in New York in 1916. Featherweight Johnny Kilbane was the other.



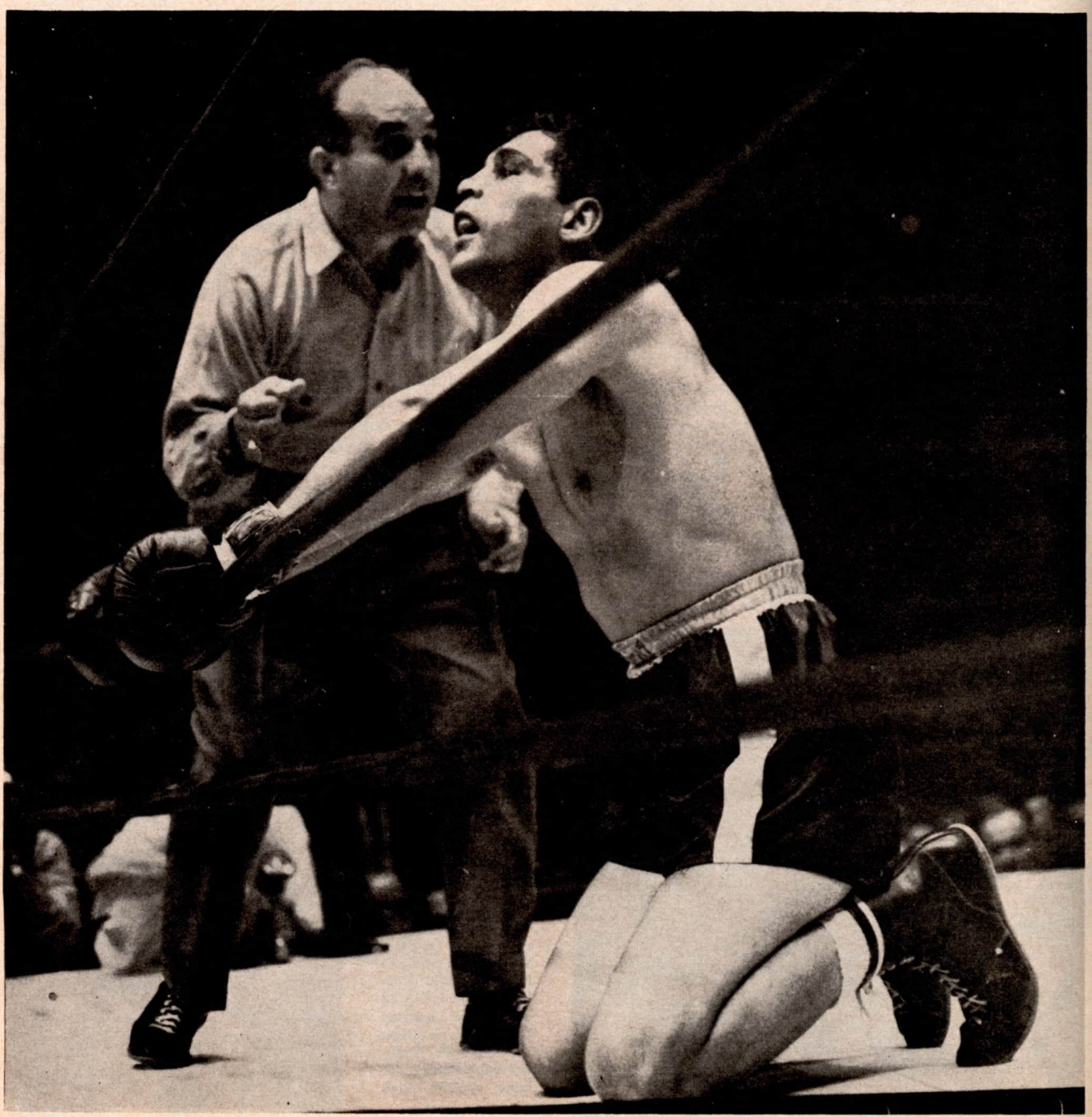
The new light heavyweight king goes over pre-battle plans with advisor Cus D'Amato, who was not in Torres' corner during the big bout. The D'Amato blue prints worked out fantastically well.

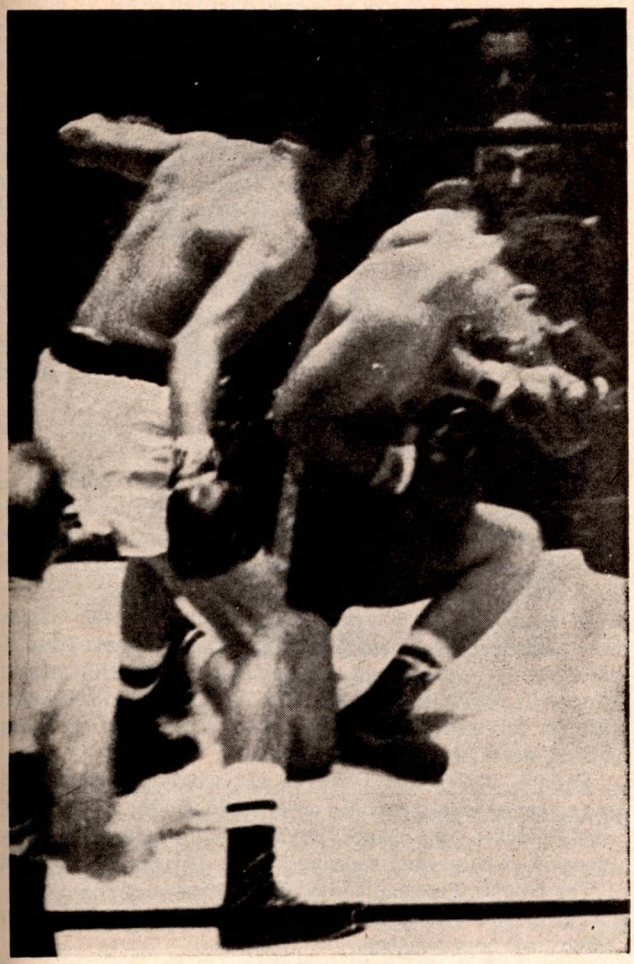
JOSE TORRES

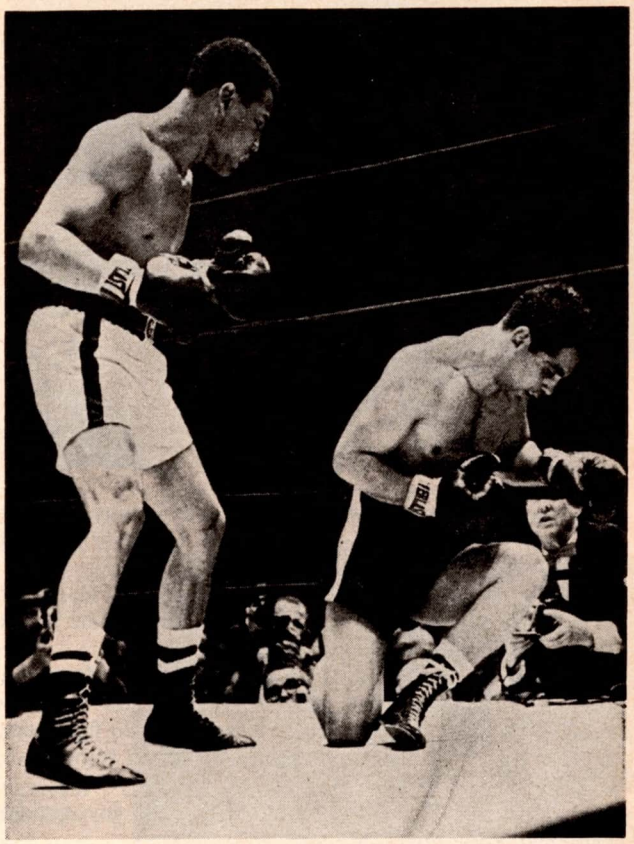
NEW CHAMPION HURLS DEFIS

By DAN DANIEL

Willie Pastrano seemingly gasps for breath as he takes the count while on his knees from referee Johnny LoBianco during the sixth round after absorbing Torres' Sunday punches. Willie went down on a delayed reaction to Jose's blows.







Here are two views (at left and above) of Pastrano hitting the canvas taken moments apart after he was hit in the kidney by the soon-to-be 175-pound ruler. Note Willie's left leg about to crumple.

ONE thing is quite positive about Jose Torres, new light heavyweight champion of the world. The man who stopped Willie Pastrano in nine rounds in New York's packed Garden is afraid of nobody.

The day after Torres had trounced Willie he issued challenges in all directions. Just where one of these will hit the target was not known as this issue of The Ring Magazine was circulated around the world. But Harry Markson and Teddy Brenner will rig up something worth while because Torres is hot and Torres is willing, and thousands of Puerto Ricans in the big city are eager to line up at the box office. Jose is a natural.

As a light heavyweight Torres is ready to fight. Gregorio Peralta, of the Argentine, rated the No. 1 contender.

Weighing 172 pounds, Torres defies Floyd Patterson, who would have some fifteen pounds and considerable boxing skill and experience on him.

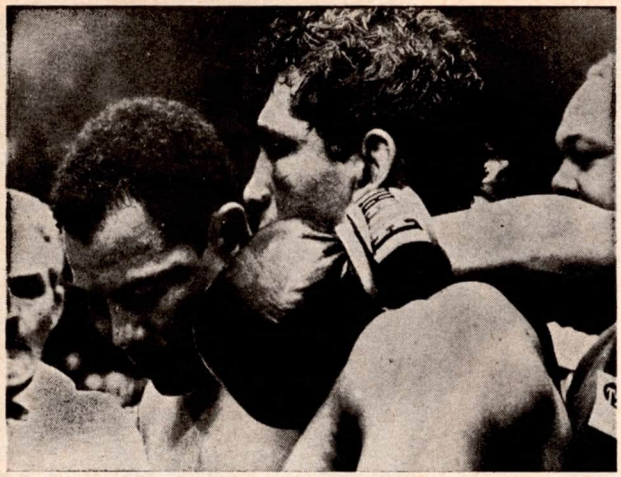
Being a recent graduate of the middleweight ranks, Jose casts eyes on a fight with Joey Giardello, champion of that division.

Dick Tiger, former king of the middles, says he would be glad to take Torres on. Possibly Dick has invasion of the 175 pound class in mind as a postcript to reacquisition of the middleweight crown.

The wonder is that Torres stopped at Giardello and didn't throw a challenge at fellow Puerto Rican Carlos Ortiz, the lightweight champion.

Torres knows that Patterson will not fight him. Floyd would be a strong favorite against Jose, who, while a power hitter with both hands, is not an accomplished boxer, by any means.

The happy new king of all he surveys is carried by wildly enthusiastic followers to the dressing room after Torres was declared the winner and new titleholder after the referee halted matters after the ninth round.



Torres appears deep in thought as he realizes the feat he has just achieved while the beaten Pastrano seems dazed as well as forlorn after the shellacking he took from the heavy-hitting Puerto Rican.

Torres knows that Giardello will not give him any consideration even for a non-title match. Giardello has Tiger and Joey Archer to think about.

Torres also knows that he is not going to get the Garden to let him fight Tiger. If Dick fights a light heavy it will be Wayne Thornton.

Whom will Torres meet? That's a problem for the Garden to solve. It is riding a high wave of boxing excitement in New York, the 19,100 house of the Patterson-Chuvalo fight being followed by 18,112 for the doubleheader, with a record gross of $239,956.

Markson and Brenner cannot afford to make any mistakes while New York is red hot for the fights.

There isn't the faintest chance of a return bout between Torres and Pastrano. Willie would do well to call it a career. He had nothing left against Jose, who stabbed, hooked and jabbed out of his peek-a-boo stance taught by D'Amato, and gave Pastrano an unmerciful thrashing.

Torres did not stop at Patterson in his exuberant drive through the field of prospective aids to a big pay day. The Puerto Rican challenged Cassius Clay.

The heavyweight title holder advised Torres to take it easy. *"Somebody ought to warn Torres that he might get killed,"* Clay chuckled.

However, for the light heavyweight champion to fight the reigning heavyweight king would be nothing new.

Bob Fitzsimmons weighed only 172 for his fight with champion Jim Jeffries, 219, in 1902. It lasted into the eighth.

Fitz tipped the beam at only 167 when he stopped Jim Corbett and took the title in 1897.

Charley Mitchell weighed a mere 158 when he challenged Corbett.

Coming into more recent times, Georges Carpentier did not weigh 170 when he fought Jack Dempsey, 188, in 1921.

So, when Torres talks about a fight with Clay, it isn't as daffy as it might sound. However, it is not on the tapis.

"I have proved myself," Torres told The Ring. *"I kept telling the fight experts that I was a championship calibre fighter. But who would believe me? Only when I knocked out Bobo Olson in the first round did I get a serious hearing from the experts.*

"I never have lacked confidence in myself. The fight writers laughed when Cain Young and I guaranteed Pastrano $100,000 to fight me, and I took the chance of being in debt even if I won the title. But I knew I could beat Willie. I figured I could do it in less time than the 27 minutes it took me.

"For Pastrano's sake I was glad when the referee called a halt. I figured the doctor would stop the fight when he came into the ring after I almost had finished Willie in the sixth round with that right to the body.

"I hurt Pastrano with a left hook to the jaw in the first round and he never got over it.

"After the sixth round I noticed that something was very wrong with Pastrano. The doctor, (Dr. Harry Kleiman) must have told the referee, (Johnny Lobianco) that he wasn't satisfied with Pastrano's condition. Somebody told me that the referee said Pastrano had lost his coordination.

"I would be glad to fight Patterson and pay him off for the terrible way he treated Cus D'Amato.

"I owe everything to Cus. Patterson became a millionaire under Cus's management but Floyd quit him cold and proved himself the No. 1 ingrate of boxing history.

"I want to fight Patterson because I can knock him out and make him sorry he ever quit Cus."

When the referee announced that Pastrano would not be permitted to come out for the tenth round Torres went wild. He danced all over the ring, making giant leaps, while Pastrano sat in his corner with tears streaming down his face, the champion no longer, unprotesting against the stoppage.

In his eighty-fourth fight, only his fourth in the Garden, where he never had been a favorite, Pastrano looked bad all the way. He was an old man fighting a powerful younger bruiser. It was the end of the road for Willie, who had fought through fourteen tough years, always, until now, the clever master, never before knocked down.

For the 28 year old Torres it was a dramatic climax to a pro career of seven years. He never could win the middleweight title. He never got a chance. But he took the light heavy championship in his second showing in that division. Jose weighed 171¼ pounds, Pastrano 174½. Betting was at evens.

Torres was coached from the sidelines as a fighter never before had been coached.

Seated right behind one of the press rows was a member of the Torres entourage. This man kept shouting instructions which came in a roundabout way from D'Amato.

D'Amato had set up a series of punches, from one to seven. The sideliner kept shouting in Spanish, giving prominence to No. 7, which was the left hook to the body. Later he shifted to emphasis on No. 5, which was the jab.

Torres punished Pastrano severely about the body in a manner reminiscent of that of Chuvalo against Patterson. However, for Jose that body attack was a big factor for victory. For Chuvalo it proved insufficient. He concentrated so much on the body he forgot Patterson had a head.

Before the fight the Garden put on a musical programme. A Puerto Rican glee club sang the "national anthem" of the territory and got the Puerto Ricanos in the house quite steamed up.

After the title fight it was bruited about the Garden that in his eagerness to get a shot at the championship Torres had tied himself up with the Dundees, and that they would dictate his engagements henceforth. Pastrano is a Dundee chattel.

Torres denied that he had entered the Dundee stable. But he did admit that, for the meagre consideration of $2,500, he had sold to Chris Dundee the right to promote his first title defense.

After that, Jose maintained, he would be his own master. Torres talked about getting a lawyer and visiting General Melvin Krulewitch, chairman of the New York Commission, under the aegis of which Jose had acquired the light heavy crown.

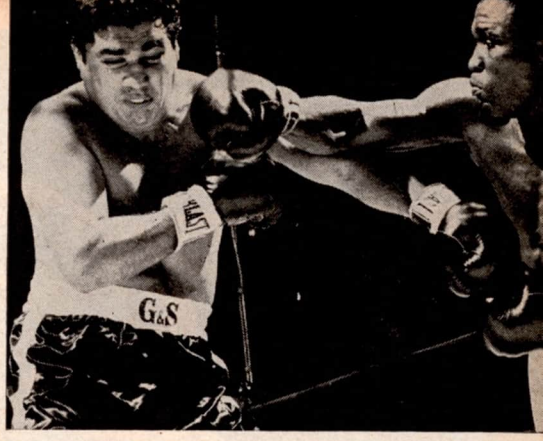
It developed that in addition to guaranteeing Pastrano $100,000 Torres had accepted a contract which cut into his own revenues from the fight in a most unorthodox way.

In revealing the details of his financial involvements Torres laughed. "The big thing in this," he said. "I am the champion. I will do okeh from now on."

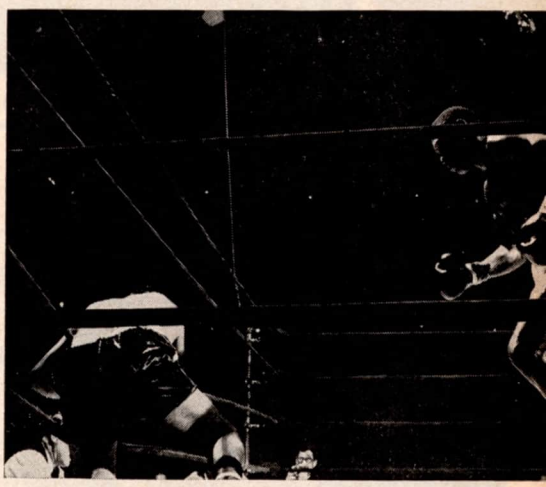
GIARDELLO AND TIGER STILL MILES APART

By NAT FLEISCHER

MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE HOLDER DEMANDS $100,000, LICENSE IN NEW YORK



A determined Tiger jolts Rocky Rivero with a right to the jaw during their battle in Madison Square Garden. The burly Nigerian was out to better Giardello's score against the same rival. Rivero had held the champion to a pair of close, disputed decisions in non-title bouts in Cleveland, and Tiger felt that a decisive triumph over the Argentine slugger would force his issue with Giardello.



Tiger's relentless attack brought positive results in sixth round when Rivero was battered to the canvas. It was only the second time in his career that Rocky had been knocked off his feet. He stumbled up at the count of nine, but was so wobbly that the referee humanely called a halt, giving Tiger credit for a knockout, and putting Giardello on the "spot" for a championship bout.

AS THIS issue of The Ring Magazine is being circulated around the world there still is no return match between Joey Giardello, middleweight champion, and Dick Tiger, former holder of the title.

Giardello promised Tiger a shot at the crown after Joey had taken it from Dick in Atlantic City.

Giardello again promised a return match to Tiger if the Nigerian disposed of Rocky Rivero "satisfactorily." Tiger did this with a sixth-round knockout.

Giardello then announced that the Madison Square Garden boxing department would have to: 1, get him a license to fight in New York, something Joey has not been able to acquire up to now; 2, A guarantee of $100,000, which, it would appear, is not justified by the potential of the match; 3, A non-title conditioning bout.

Where, then, do we go from here? Once again down the Valley of Indecision to the Mount of Procrastination?

It might be asked, to what end did Giardello, a professional boxer, acquire the middleweight championship?

How many customers would the Garden draw with a non-title fight, which would be tantamount to a Giardello announcement that he still is not ready and willing to meet Tiger? If Giardello is not physically fit for a Tiger battle, why palm off a non-title scrap on the public?

If the Garden finds it impossible to set up a title double-header with Giardello meeting Tiger in one bout, Joey may consider returning to Philadelphia where he made a successful defense against Ruben Carter.

It is impossible, however, to conjure up a picture of any promoter making a financial success of a Giardello-Tiger bout in Philadelphia, with Joey getting a guarantee of $75,000, plus $5,000 for expenses, as reported. At the scale of prices mentioned by Promoter Herman Taylor, a complete sellout in Convention Hall, which is only about two-thirds the capacity of the Garden, would represent about $110,000. By the time taxes were deducted, the rent paid, and preliminary bouts, publicity, printing and other incidental expenses taken care of, there wouldn't be much, if anything, left for either the promoter or Tiger.

Rivero, the Argentine "middleweight," who had been knocked down only once before, was not only knocked down but badly beaten by Tiger in the Garden. The bout was advertised as an elimination for a shot at Giardello's title, but it hardly was a middleweight match, so far as Rivero was concerned.

The roll of flesh which hung over his tights, the obvious effort with which he punched, and the fatigue he showed after the fourth round shouted Rivero's lack of condition. Why the Boxing Commission, protector of the public, permitted the Argentinian to enter the ring, since it was common knowledge throughout the week that he was having difficulty making the agreed-on weight limit of 169-170, is a mystery.

The 7,162 customers who paid $25,000 to see the bout were duped by a fighter who went into the ring only for the purpose of collecting a fee.

Still, Rivero was in practically the same condition for his two non-title meetings with Giardello in Cleveland last year, and there certainly were no complaints registered against the stirring battles he put up against the champion. His weights announced were 169 and 165, while for Tiger he came in at 169½. Although Tiger is a legitimate middleweight, he didn't have to bother about making any poundage and at weighing-in time he scaled 165.

Determined to force Giardello into a return bout, Tiger went all out to better the champion's performances against Rivero, and he did it authoritatively. He outclassed the Argentinian from the start, handed him a terrific lacing, and finally finished him at 1:39 of the sixth, when Referee Petey Della wisely called a halt

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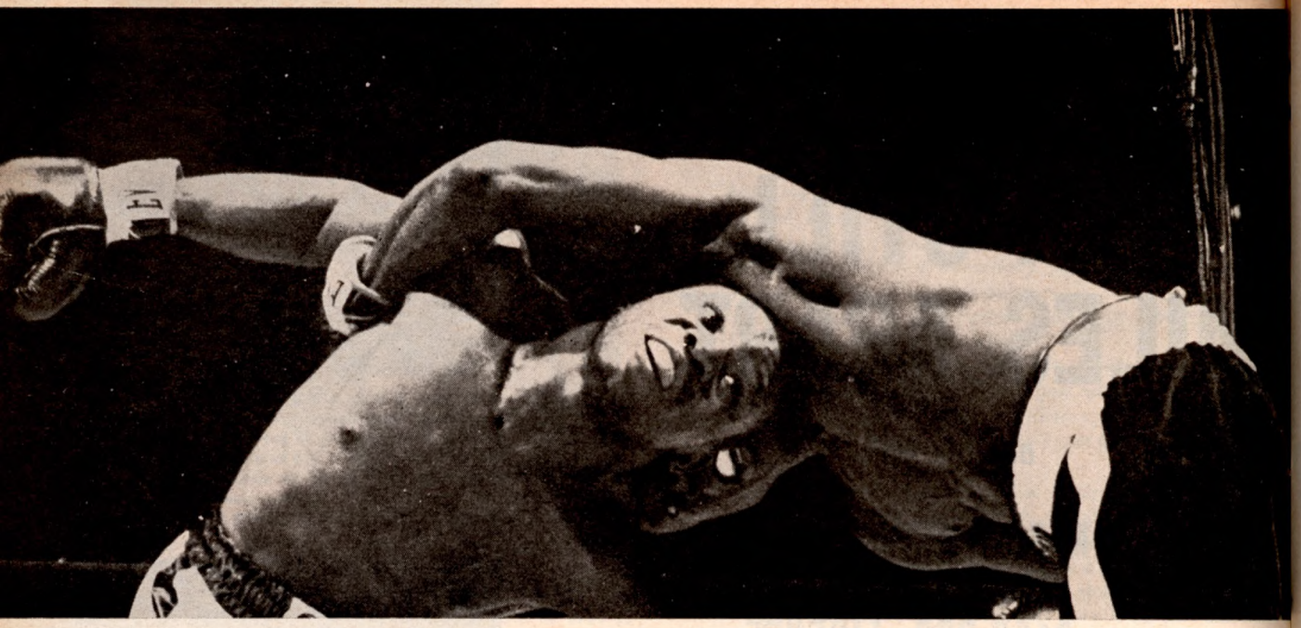

Both battlers seem to be getting nowhere extremely fast during this moment of their fifteen round title encounter. That's Stable on the left, whose right arm is being pinioned by Griffith before he gets into position for an attack.

Mrs. Emelda Griffith, Emiles' mother, is wildly enthusiastic upon the announcement of her son's triumph over Stable.

"I have a habit of getting lazy when the going gets easy. Gil spots this and uses his mouth to get me going."

The 25-year-old Griffith, who entered the ring a 13 to 5 favorite over Stable, made the odds makers look good. His record of 49 fights with 43 wins, 16 by kayo, and only five losses, with the top men, contrasted sharply with Stable's record of 28 fights, mostly with average talent, with 25 wins, two losses and 1 draw.

Stable showed the effects of never having gone fifteen rounds before. Ten heats was the longest route he had engaged in previously. During the last five rounds, he exhibited fatigue, and won only one round—the last in which he tapped hidden reserves of strength.

Griffith weighed 146½ to Stable's 146.

The first round began cautiously with Griffith working a good left jab and Stable attempting to fight in close with body blows. Griffith landed a hard right to the head for his best effort and Stable promised better things when he smashed a left hook to Griffith's midsection that staggered the champ and sent him across the ring. Emile snapped back and was punishing his contender at the bell.

As the fight progressed, Stable continued to work inside with Griffith attempting to straighten up a bobbing, weaving Jose

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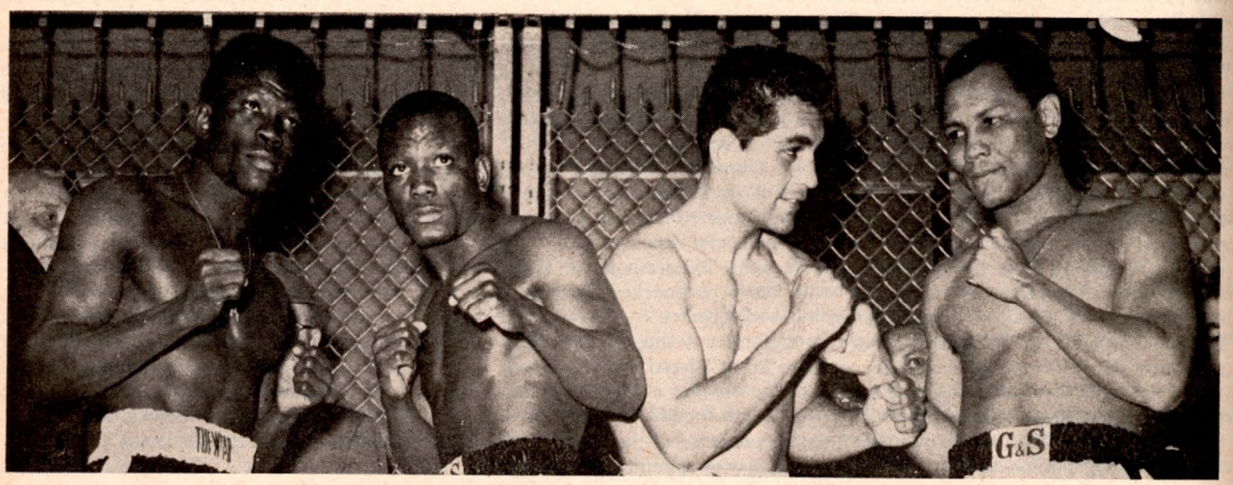
A happy warrior is Emile soon after reaching his dressing room following the retention of his welterweight diadem via a decision over Stable.

CHAMPIONSHIP . . .

GRIFFITH NOW WANTS MIDDLES

Ludick, Manca, Tiger, Archer and Carter are all Mentioned as Possible Opponents for Emile after his Stable Victory



Squaring off prior to the weigh-in for the unprecedented indoor bargain bill are (left to right) welterweight king Emile Griffith; his unsuccessful challenger Jose Stable; dethroned light heavyweight king Willie Pastrano and the new 175-pound king Jose Torres.

By NAT LOUBET

EMILE GRIFFITH turned to Gil Clancy, his co-manager along with Howard Albert and said *"Let's take the middleweight crown. . . . Giardello is next."*

The scene was the dressing room in Madison Square Garden, and Emile had just finished an easy fifteen rounder with Jose Stable in which Emile successfully defended his welterweight title.

The championship battle was the bottom half of a double header, the first such to be held in an indoor arena. The 18,112 fans in attendance broke no records but the $239,956 gate established a new money figure which topped the Joe Louis-Joe Walcott record of $216,497 set in 1947.

Griffith didn't wait for Gil to reply. *"Jose Torres has said he can still make the middleweight limit and that he might like to take a shot at Giardello and the middleweight crown which may stop us from getting such a shot.*

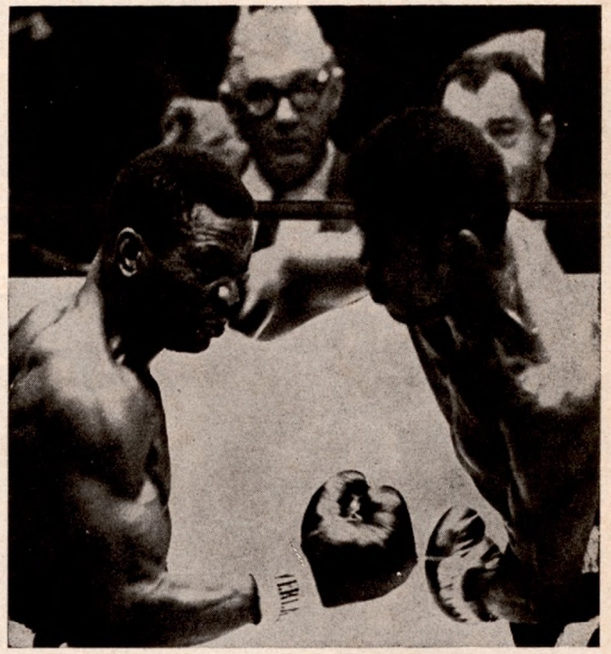
"There isn't much among the welterweights but we still have Manuel Gonzalez. Remember he beat me in Houston in January and a return in their new stadium could do alright."

The manner in which Emile used the term"BEAT," transmitted the feeling that he wasn't sweating out any phobia in his thoughts of a return fight with Gonzalez.

What did Emile think of the Stable festivities?

"That Stable is a good boy but the fight was easy. There were a few hard shots but I was never really hurt. After the tenth I felt I could take him with one hand.

"I've been asked how I feel about Clancy yelling at me between rounds. He was right. Gil brought me up from nothing to the championship and when he yells it's because there's a reason, and I've got it coming.



Stable catches a hard right directly on the beezer, a blow which Griffith connected with more often than not throughout the evening's festivities. In this instance Jose had thoughts of tossing his left but was beaten to the well-known punch.

Tex Rickard in three poses of his younger days. On far left we see him as a kid cowpuncher in Texas. The middle shot shows him at 24, town marshall of Henrietta, Tex. On far right, all dressed up and headed for South America.

PICTURE PORTFOLIO

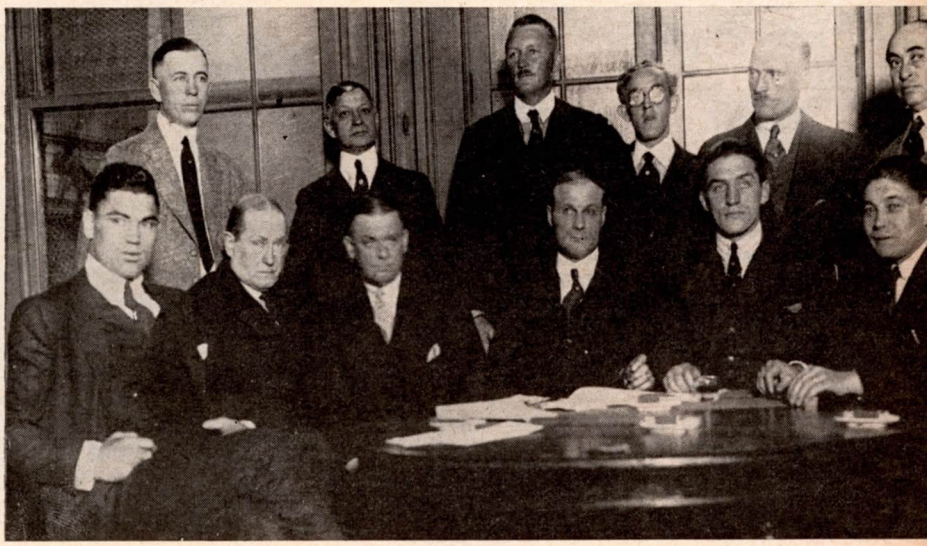
By **DAN DANIEL**

HIGH STAKES RICKARD HAD MIDAS TOUCH

Here we see Rickard surrounded by the other promoters of the Gans-Nelson fight in Goldfield, Nev. In 1906. They are seated in the arena designed by W. C. Clark. Rickard is the middle man on the first row, Clark to his right. The fight made money and drew national attention to the infant town.

Main Street, Goldfield, as it awaited the fight fans who were headed that way for the lightweight championship battle in which Gans won on a foul in the forty-second round. Take a gander at Tex's car, standing in front of the Arcade Music Hall. Note that the Red Front is selling out its entire stock at slashed prices. Elery's drug store is down the street, on the left side.

Tex having his picture took with the first Mrs. Rickard, who was a quiet, always extremely well behaved lady hardly suited to the rugged circles in which Tex operated.



This was snapped November 5, 1920, in the Claridge Hotel, New York. Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier just had signed for their fight, which originally was scheduled for Havana but which eventually took place in Jersey City. Left to right, seated, were Dempsey, Bill Brady, Charles Cochran, Carpentier, Francois Descamps. Standing, extreme left, Jack Kearns. Others, merry villagers.

THERE is a lot of talk among fight fans about an indeterminate and antique commodity called ballyhoo.

It is defined as a medium for attracting public notice, in an at times bizarre, and always unusual method.

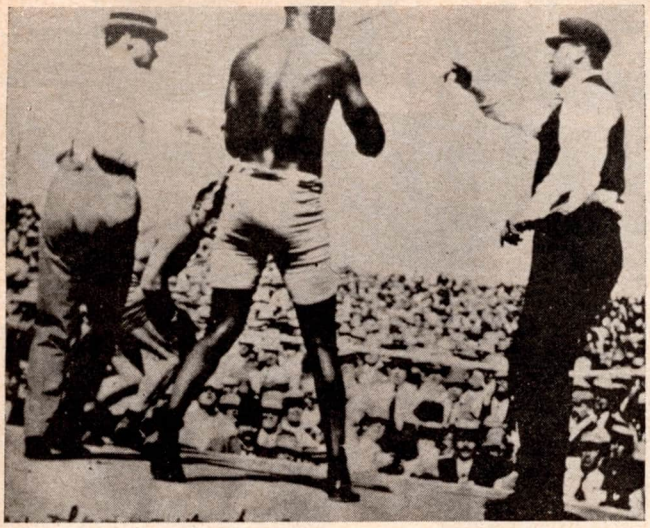
Ballyhoo, which came into boxing in this country by way of Ireland and the circus, is a rare accomplishment which embodies promotional genius, and only rarely is re-created successfully in these times.

The all-time master of ballyhoo was George Lewis (Tex) Rickard, who left the most remarkable imprint on boxing promotion, starting with the Joe Gans-Battling Nelson battle of 42 rounds in Goldfield, Nev. in September 1906 and ending with his death at the early age of 60 in Miami in January 1930.

Rickard, ballyhoo and genius in boxing promotion are very much in the public eye at this time, with the Clay-Liston title match in Boston under close scrutiny.

The Nilon brothers, who are the chief promoters, are not known as spectacular performers. They are very much business, throwing the elements of high

A jolly crowd in Carpentier's training camp at Manhassett, Long Island. Jim Corbett and Georges are seated. Jack Curley is behind Corbett, Tad Dorgan behind Jack. Curley barred the newspapermen from Carp's workouts.



Sam Berger throwing up sponge as Jack Johnson stops Jim Jeffries at Reno, July 4, 1910, in fifteenth round. This was one of Rickard's most notable promotions even though the gross was only $270,715.

publicity on Harold Conrad, veteran newspaperman turned publicity expert.

Liston is not a strong aid to Conrad. But Clay is rich material.

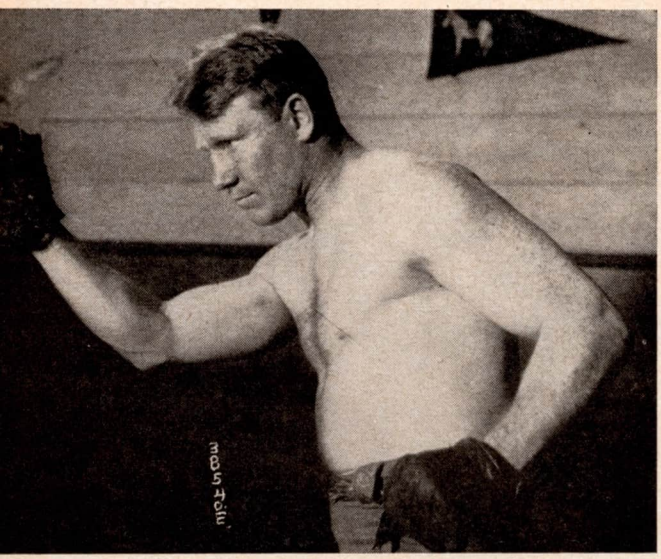
Texas town marshall, Yukon gambler, South American and Texas cow puncher, and ultimately the greatest fight impresario in the annals of boxing, Rickard was a genius. His story, 35 years after his passing from peritonitis, must be told now, with details hitherto not open for publication—and that minus any nefarious connotations.

In 24 years of fight promotion, Rickard saw his ring creations cash in for an incredible gross of $15,000,000.

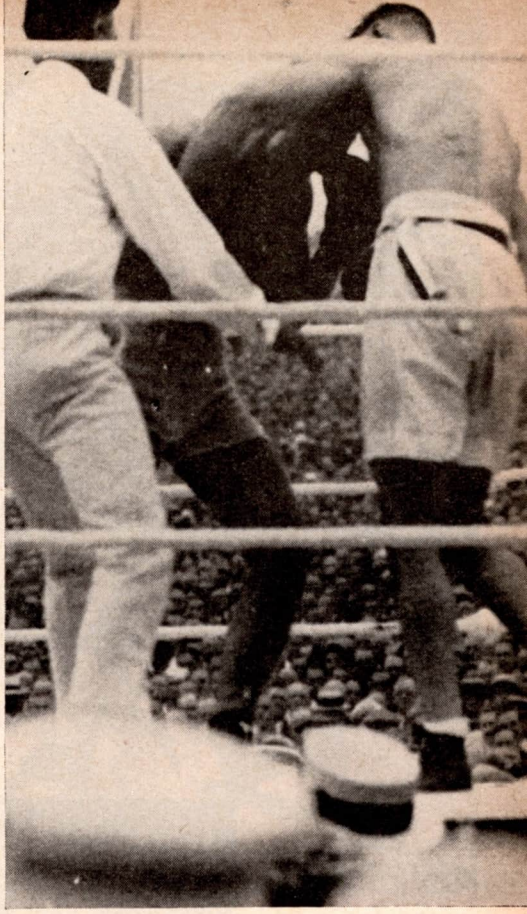
Rickard built the new Madison Square Garden in New York after having promoted in the old Garden under the famous tower topped statue of Diana.

Tex had his Jack Dempsey, the all time boxing magnet. Mike Jacobs, who took over after Bill Carey and Jimmy Johnston had had their Garden fling, had his Joe Louis. Jim Norris had his Rocky Marciano. But, beyond all others, Tex had his flair for publicity, his ability to arouse public interest and translate

Rickard, on extreme left, showing Jack Johnson the gold for which he would be fighting Jeffries. Johnson was fascinated by gold, its appearance and its shiny allure. Jack lost no time in signing for the brawl after he had felt that gold trickle through his fingers. Tex was quite a psychologist.

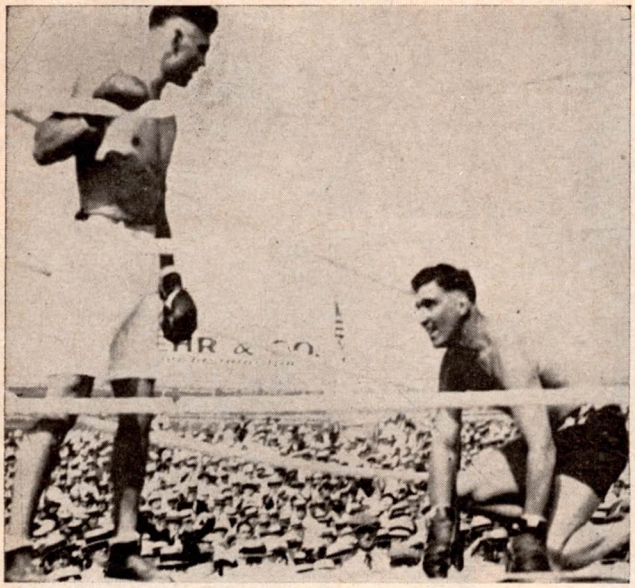


Above is Frank Moran, whose fight with Jess Willard was promoted in the old Garden on March 25, 1916, by Tex. The battle drew $152,000 and went the scheduled ten rounds, no official decision. Jess had the better of it. To Moran's right are Dempsey and Jack Kearns, listening to the music of the wild waves near New York.



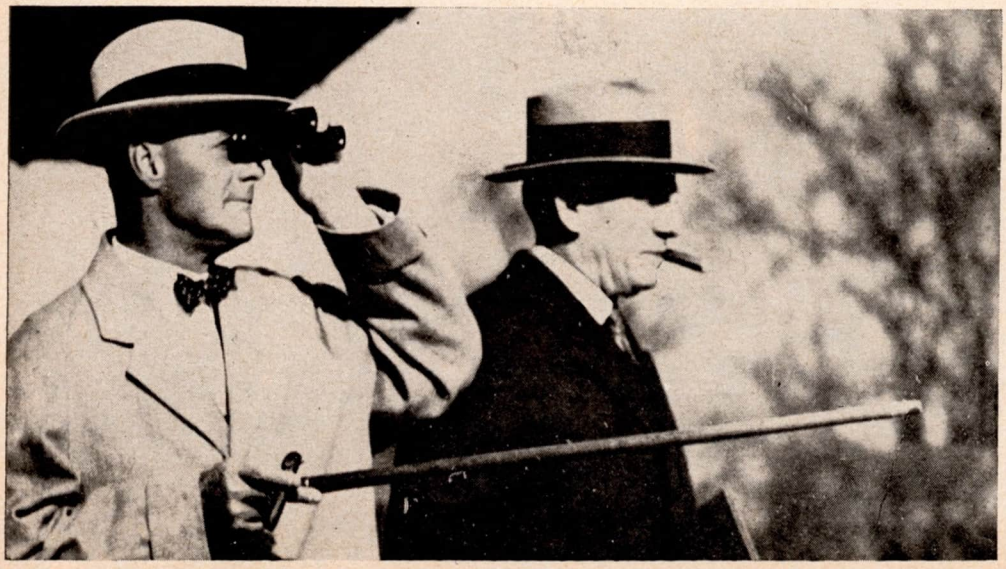
Another great Rickard promotion, the Dempsey-Carpentier fight which drew $1,626,580 at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City on July 2, 1921. The Frenchman went out in the fourth.

Above: Those were the Happy Days. Rickard is sporting a cane. You will spot Dempsey, in his prime, with wife Estelle Taylor, of the movies, by his side. The Mauler is spic and span. Tex is getting a bit paunchy. Below: Rickard, cane, cigar and Panama skimmer, posing in the pine board arena which he erected in Toledo for the Dempsey-Willard fight, in which Jack stopped Jess in three heats, July 4, 1919 and won the title. This fight did not come up to Tex's financial expectations, with a gross of $453,224. The arena, costing $100,000, was razed right after the fight.



Willard is down again. This was in 1919, when Dempsey got the title. Now look above and you will see Gene Tunney signing for the Philadelphia fight in which he took the championship from Dempsey on September 23, 1926. Billy Gibson, Gene's pilot, is standing behind him.

Rickard is signing Tom Gibbons for the contest with Dempsey at Shelby, Mont. on July 4, 1923. Gibbons is seated between Tex and Eddie Kane, Tommy's manager. This fight went the limit of 15 rounds. Jack had trouble winning.



Here is a picture associated with something which Rickard never put over. Bill Carey, vice president of the Garden, is with Tex. They are in Boston, looking at a site for an arena which the promoter wanted to construct there. The Hub Garden eventually was built, but not by Rickard and Carey.

Rickard the Business Man. At his desk in the Garden. Our Hero is balding. He is showing a marked preference for bow ties and striped silk shirts. The Yukon was never like this, boys! Tex never failed to dress impeccably, always ready for the Best People.

What the well dressed man will wear. The promoter paid $200 for his suits, his taste in ties was perfect. He is supervising erection of a ring in Yankee Stadium for the Willard-Floyd Johnson scrap.

it into box office activity.

What was Rickard's outstanding ingredient? The will to gamble. And the acute habit of calling his shots with accuracy. All a fight needed to assure success was the Rickard stamp of promotion. He could have made a fortune out of a flea circus.

Rickard's promotion of the two Dempsey-Tunney fights produced a gross of $4,554,393. The battle in which Gene took the title from Jack in Philadelphia brought in $1,895,733 and the Long Count contest in Chicago attracted an incredible, unmatched $2,658,660.

Add the $1,188,603 which poured into the box office for the Dempsey-Firpo fight at the old Polo Grounds, the $1,083,530 Tex grossed for the Dempsey-Sharkey setto, and the $1,626,580 teased out of fight fans for the alleged Battle of the Century between Dempsey and Carpentier at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City, and you have a five fight total of $8,453,106. Tex made Dempsey rich.

Rickard and his daring, Rickard and his ability to see financial success and fistic

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No, this is not Rickard in his New York heyday, in derby and velvet collared coat. This is Tex visiting Gotham in February 1919, negotiating with Willard for the Toledo battle with Dempsey.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

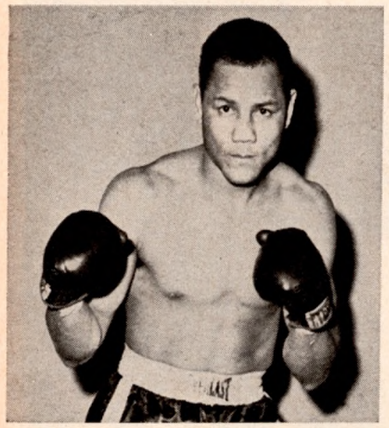
RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 15, 1965

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Louisville, Ky.
1–**SONNY LISTON,** Denver, Colo.
2–**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Great Neck, L.I.
3–**ERNEST TERRELL,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4–**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Toronto, Canada
5–**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
6–**KARL MILDENBERGER,** Germany
7–**ROGER RISCHER,** San Francisco, Calif.
8–**EDDIE MACHEN,** Berkeley, Calif.
9–**THAD SPENCER,** Tacoma, Wash.
10–**AMOS JOHNSON,** Medina, Ohio

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE TORRES, Puerto Rico
1–**GREGORIO PERALTA,** Argentina
2–**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami Beach
3–**MAURO MINA,** Peru
4–**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5–**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
6–**WAYNE THORNTON,** Fresno, Calif.
7–**ROGER ROUSE,** San Jose, Calif.
8–**GERT (HOTTY) VAN HEERDEN,** South Africa
9–**BOB FOSTER,** Washington, D.C.
10–**HENRY HANK,** San Francisco, Calif.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not cover 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOEY GIARDELLO, Cherry Hill, N.J.
1–**JOEY ARCHER,** New York, N.Y.
2–**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
3–**RUBIN CARTER,** Passaic, N.J.
4–**LASZLO PAPP,** Hungary
5–**NINO BENVENUTI,** Italy
6–**SANDRO MAZZINGHI,** Italy
7–**HURRICANE KID,** Samoa
8–**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
9–**GOMEO BRENNAN,** Bahama, B.W.I.
10–**DON FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EMILE GRIFFITH, Weehawken, N.J.
1–**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Miami, Florida
2–**MANUEL GONZALEZ,** Odessa, Texas
3–**JOSE STABLE,** New York, N.Y.
4–**WILLIE LUDICK,** South Africa
5–**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
6–**FORTUNATO MANCA,** Italy
7–**BILLY COLLINS,** Nashville, Tenn.
8–**GABRIEL TERRONEZ,** Fresno, Calif.
9–**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, Texas
10–**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico



JOSE TORRES FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS HERNANDEZ, Venezuela
1–**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
2–**JOSE NAPOLES,** Mexico
3–**SANDRO LOPOPOLO,** Italy
4–**TITO MARSHALL,** Panama
5–**ADOLPH PRUITT,** St. Louis, Mo.
6–**PIERRO BRANDI,** Italy
7–**LOUIS MOLINA,** San Jose, Calif.
8–**JOHNNY DE PIEZA,** Trinidad, B.W.I.
9–**OLLI MAKI,** Finland
10–**PAUL FUJII,** Honolulu, Hawaii

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS ORTIZ, New York, N. Y.
1–**BUNNY GRANT,** Jamaica, B.W.I.
2–**NICOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina
3–**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
4–**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5–**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
6–**ANGEL ROBINSON GARCIA,** France
7–**ALFREDO URBINA,** Mexico
8–**FRANCO BRONDI,** Italy
9–**FRANKIE NARVAEZ,** New York, N.Y.
10–**CONNY RUDHOF,** Germany

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GABRIEL FLASH ELORDE, Philippines
1–**JOHNNY BIZZARRO,** Erie, Pa.
2–**WILLI QUATUOR,** Germany
3–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
4–**TERUO KOSAKA,** Japan
5–**KANG SUH II,** Korea
6–**VICENTE DERADO,** Argentina
7–**JOSE LUIS CRUZ,** Mexico
8–**RAY ADIGUN,** Nigeria
9–**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Cal.
10–**LEVI MADI,** South Africa

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
VICENTE SALDIVAR, Mexico City, Mexico
1–**MISUNORI SEKI,** Japan
2–**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
3–**FLOYD ROBERTSON,** Ghana
4–**RAUL ROJAS,** San Pedro, Calif.
5–**CARLOS CANETE,** Argentina
6–**JAIME VALLADARES,** Ecuador
7–**ANTONIO HERRERA,** Colombia
8–**JOE RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
9–**YVES DESMARETS,** France
10–**DON JOHNSON,** Los Angeles, Calif.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EDER JOFRE, Sao Paulo, Brazil
1–**FIGHTING HARADA,** Japan
2–**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
3–**JESUS PIMENTAL,** Los Angeles, Calif.
4–**MANUEL BARRIOS,** Mexico
5–**BERNARDO CARABALLO,** Colombia
6–**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
7–**FELIX BRAMI,** Tunisia
8–**RISTO LUUKKONEN,** Finland
9–**KATSUO SAITO,** Japan
10–**ALAN RUDKIN,** England

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand
1–**SALVATORE BURRUNI,** Italy
2–**HIROYUKI EBIHARA,** Japan
3–**ALACRAN "EFRAN" TORRES,** Mexico
4–**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina
5–**ROCKY GATTELLARI,** Australia
6–**TAKESHI NAKAMURA,** Japan
7–**WALTER McGOWAN,** Scotland
8–**RATON MOJICA,** Nicaragua
9–**BOB ALLOTEY,** Ghana
10–**KATSUYOSHI TAKAYAMA,** Japan

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

NAMES	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Billy Marquart Chicago, Ill.	1/65	3	3	0	0	0
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Edwin Perry Washington, D.C.	11/64	3	3	0	0	2
MIDDLEWEIGHTS						
Henry Aldridge San Jose, Calif.	11/64	4	4	0	0	1
WELTERWEIGHTS						
Albert Breau Canada	6/64	11	11	0	0	6
LIGHTWEIGHTS						
Andy Matta New York, N.Y.	11/64	4	4	0	0	0
FEATHERWEIGHTS						
Joe Barrientes Mexico	7/64	5	5	0	0	3
BANTAMWEIGHTS						
Eladie Gonzalez Panama	8/64	3	2	0	1	0
FLYWEIGHTS						
Ernie Jayme Philippines	11/64	6	6	0	0	0

NOT since the days of Sixto Escobar and Pedro Montanez, two of the most popular fighters to come up from Puerto Rico, have the ring fans of the Island territory gone so wild as they are over the newly crowned world light heavyweight champion, Jose Torres.

Jose, who makes his home in New York, was one of the four headliners who made history by drawing $239,956 in the Garden. For his performance in halting Willie Pastrano, Torres is named The Ring's Fighter of the Month. He soon will be the recipient of The Ring's 213th world championship belt.

Although Emile Griffith retained his world welterweight championship when he outpointed Jose Stable, his success was not in the same class as Torres'.

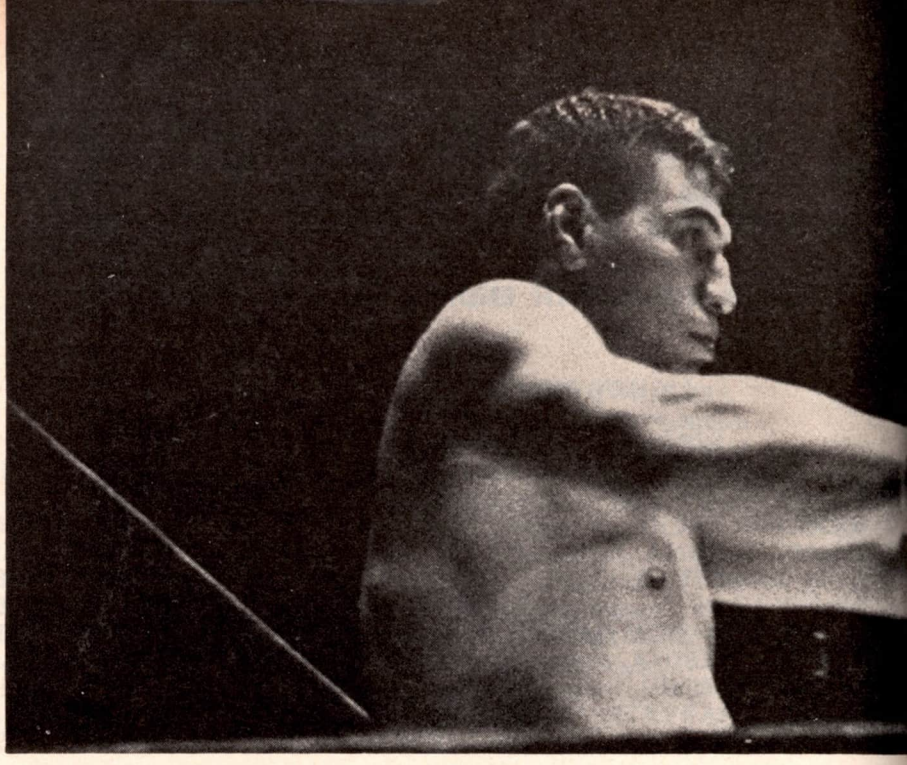
Torres' rise brought about a shift in the lower half of the division's rated ten. Gregorio Peralta, of Argentina, retained the challenger post with Pastrano second choice.

Mauro Mina, Peru, Harold Johnson, Philadelphia, Eddie Cotton, Seattle, and Wayne Thornton, Fresno, California, each dropped one peg due to inactivity.

Although challenges have been tossed at Cassius Clay from all sides and all parts of the world, he sits comfortably on the throne despite the edict of the World Boxing Association and until his return bout with Sonny Liston is decided, we can continue to expect inactivity among the *(Continued on page 43)*

BEATTIE BIG IN STATURE GROWING IN SKILL

By GEORGE GIRSCH



Above we find Dick Wipperman in the process of taking a seven round kayo from Beattie in the Garden. This was a very important victory for the St. Paul Behemoth, and a most damaging setback for Wipperman, who followed with a defeat by Oscar Bonavena.

FROM the standpoint of feet and inches, James Jay Beattie, who looms 6 feet 8 inches in height, is not the tallest heavyweight we have had. There was, for one, in the long ago, Charley Freeman, 6 feet 10. More recently we have had a couple of seven footers from Africa.

But, at the time of going to press, Beattie was the tallest in training, and quite an interesting character. He has had sixteen fights, with two setbacks. On August 10, 1963, at Saratoga, N.Y., Jim was knocked out by Johnny Barrazza in the third round. Last year he was outpointed in eight by James J. Woody.

Beattie's career and progress came charging into fan notice recently when he knocked out Tom McNeeley in the fifth round in Boston. Tom had fought Floyd Patterson. It was Beattie's fourteenth success in a pro career in which he had suffered one knockout and one defeat on points.

Beattie is "owned" by a New York group headed by Gene Schoor, a writer who is close to the ring scene.

The syndicate found Beattie in St. Paul, Minn., in 1963, after he had made two fighting appearances as a professional. After considerable success as an amateur he stopped Nat Battles in one round at Hudson, Minn., on November 2, 1962. He followed this up with a two round stoppage of Nimrod Carmichael, at St. Paul on December 7, 1962.

Beattie was trucked into New York in the Spring of 1963.

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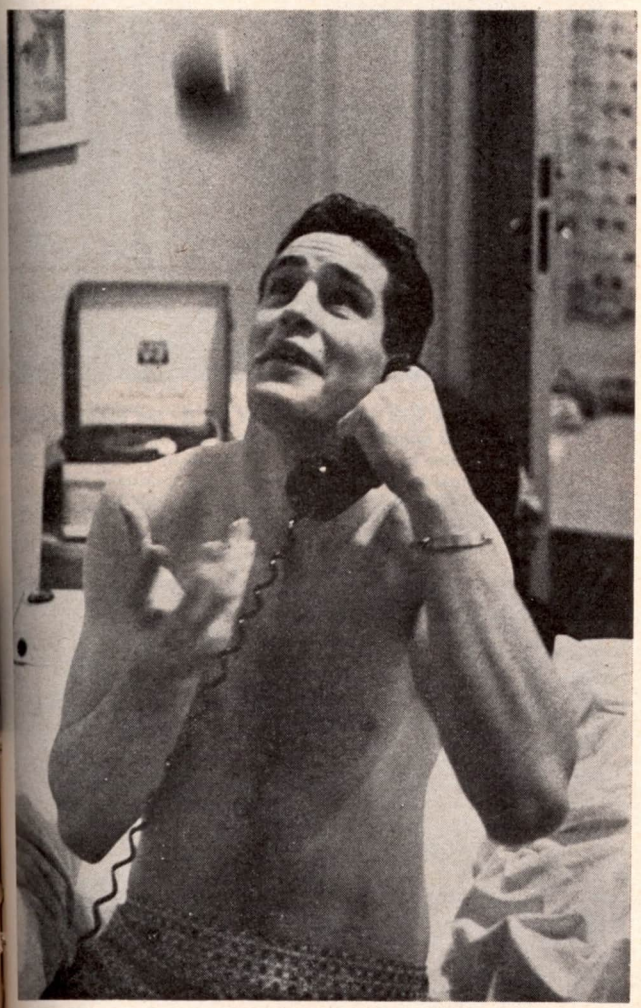
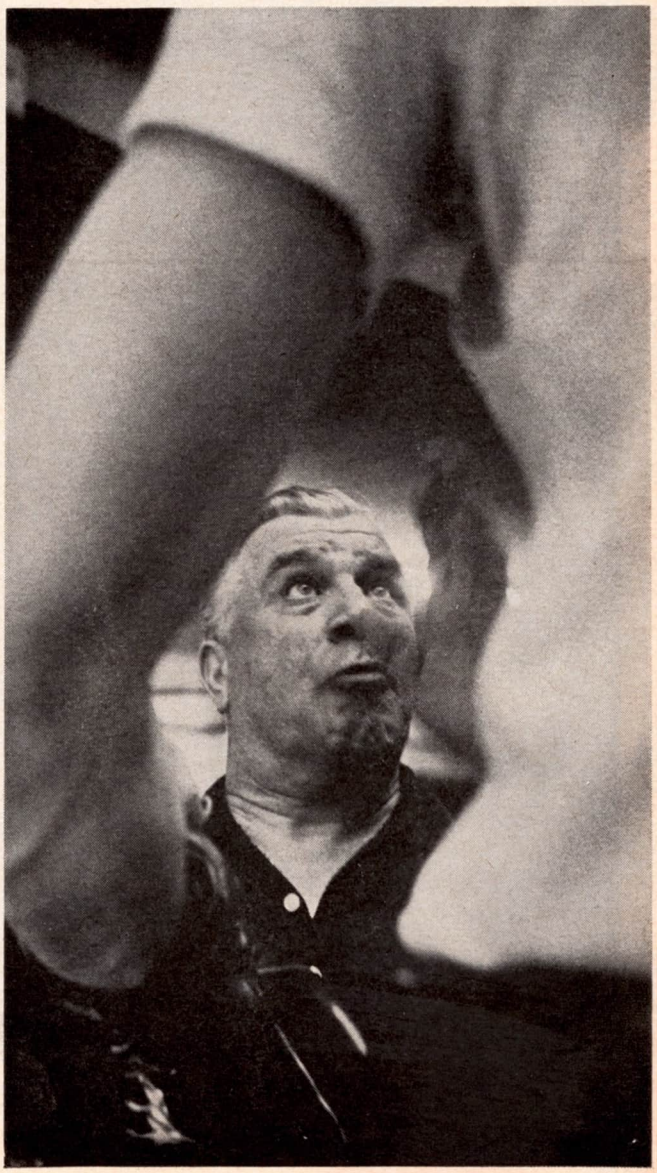
Beattie in two poses of repose. Above, he is hitting the sack. He loves to sleep. No night wanderer, this guy. Below, accompanied by Wallace Newton, a stable mate, he indulges in the luxury of a taxi trip after his success against Wipperman. This fight is not listed as a classic.

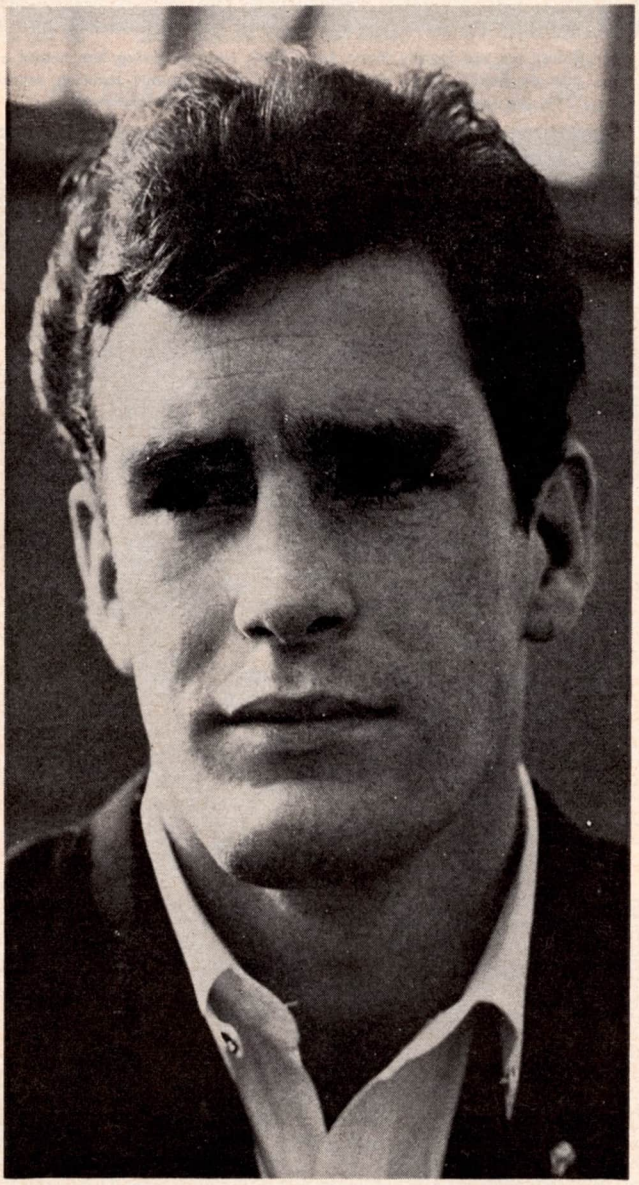
Below we see Freddy Fiore, Long Jim's trainer, giving him sound advice as Beattie goes through a long and arduous training session. "This big guy is a fast learner," Fiore tells the interviewer.



"Thanks for the congratulations and best wishes," says Beattie, when he gers a long distance call from a pal in St. Paul. "I still was not satisfied with my showing. But there will be another time, soon. This is a profession not so easily mastered." This after Jim's KO victory over McNeeley in fifth round.

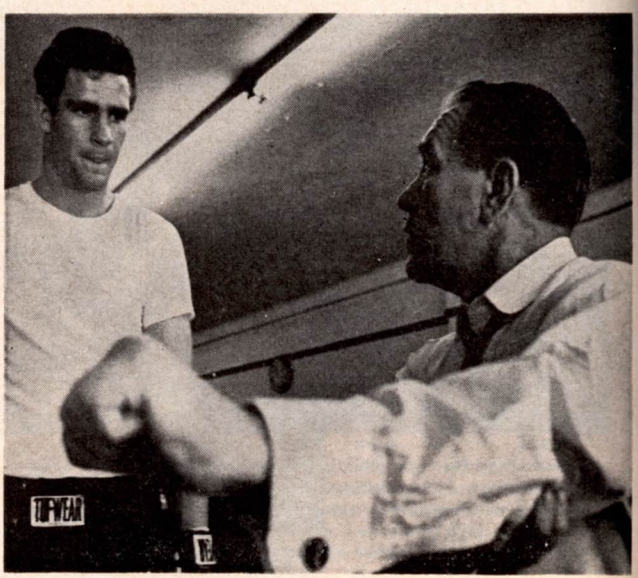


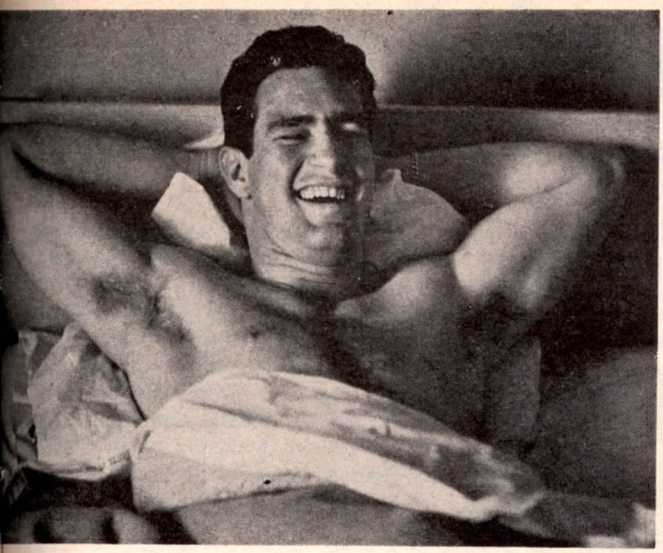
The tall Sleeping Beauty from Minnesota arouses himself at six a.m. ready to go six miles on the roads of Central Park in New York. He likes to run. Most boxers don't. The business of getting himself ready for the day's work is continued in the two shots shown to the right.



James Jay Beattie in person, girls. Note that he is good looking. Note that he is in earnest. Note that he is in the ring with a set purpose and set goals.

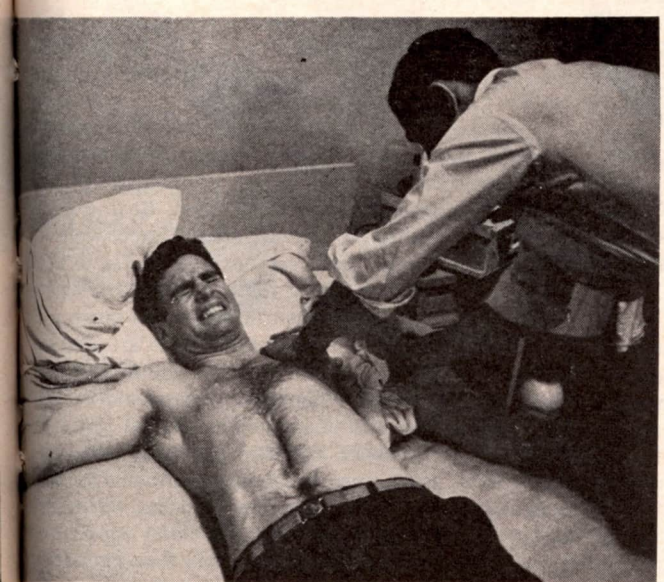
Above, trainer Fiore tells Beattie to watch out for the dangerous manoeuvre of lowering the guard when your man is upping his punch. This warning is repeated later by Gene Schoor, chairman of the syndicate which is nursing Beattie toward what it hopes will be a Comstock Lode.





Beattie, an early waker, cheerful as he prepares to begin the daily grind of physical conditioning so necessary in the career of a professional boxer.

The chess board shown here is not just a prop. Beattie is the intellectual type. He is thinking out a way of escaping the dangers of the situation into which his friendly rival has lured him. P.S.—Jim lost.



Trainer Fiore is twisting and turning those Beattie muscles into a state of flexibility after a hard workout with the gloves. An easy life between fights? Take a look at Big Jim's puss. He isn't ecstatic.

Beattie's blood pressure is being noted by Miss Alice Oliveri, who is a specialist in that work at the New York Boxing Commission. She finds the results exemplary and gives her okeh to his appearance against Wipperman who is stopped by the Minnesota Goliath.

Charley Bauer, a member of the Beattie Syndicate, is seeing to it that on this particular night the Minnesota Mauler is getting a first class feed of steak and spinach. What is Jim laughing at? It's a private joke.

Science Lacking? Baloney!

By TED CARROLL

IN RECENT issues of the Ring much attention has been paid and credit given to the great Irish boxing masters of the past, and the carrying on of this tradition by the current Celtic middleweight contender Joey Archer.

As previously pointed out, the ring artistry of Loughran, Slattery, Tunney, M'Tigue, Gibbons, MacFarland, Conn and Malone has become legendary. But let us not assume that super skill in boxing is an ethnic monopoly.

The names of Benny Leonard, Sugar Ray Robinson and Willie Pep come readily to mind as being synonymous with the highest order of cleverness in the ring. There have been many others. It is these many largely obscured by time's passing, that we intend to discuss.

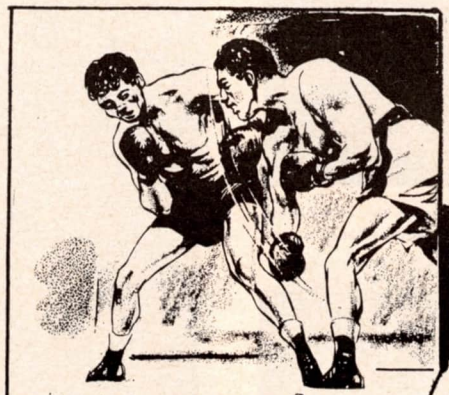
Despite the perennial complaint that nobody around today knows how to box anymore" and that "TV killed smart boxing", a rundown of our 1965 champions and contenders rebuts this lament. The current heavyweight king, Cassius Clay, got there by dint of speed and greater skill than his opponents.

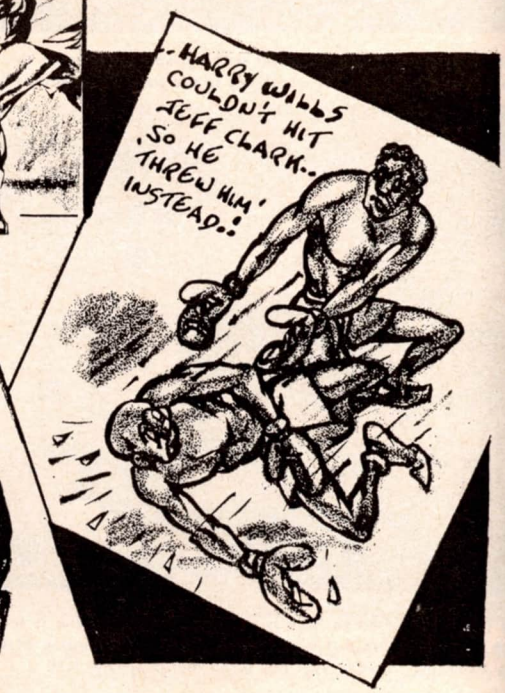
Fancy, dancing Willie Pastrano is a boxer pure and simple and his predecessor Harold Johnson rated nods from the most critical old-timers for his ring finesse. Until the years caught up with him, old Joe Brown, once lightweight king showed TV viewers the canniest ring generalship.

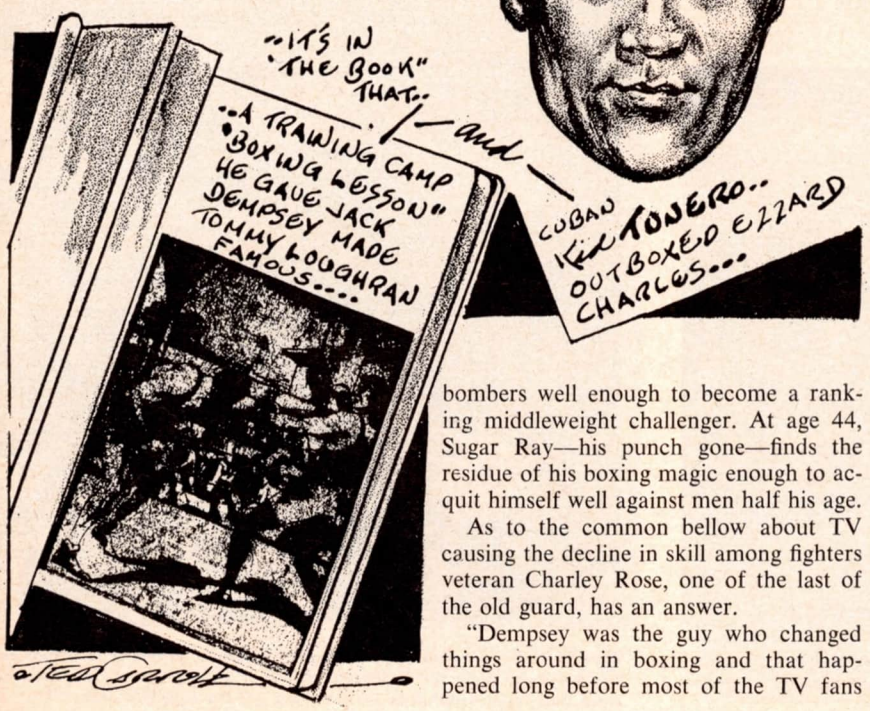
Welter king Emile Griffith and persistent challenger Luis Rodriquez are anything but crude sluggers. Wily Joey Giardelo knows all the tricks of the trade. Fast-stepping Archer has handled the bombers well enough to become a ranking middleweight challenger. At age 44, Sugar Ray—his punch gone—finds the residue of his boxing magic enough to acquit himself well against men half his age.

As to the common bellow about TV causing the decline in skill among fighters veteran Charley Rose, one of the last of the old guard, has an answer.

"Dempsey was the guy who changed things around in boxing and that happened long before most of the TV fans were born," Rose told me. Before Dempsey boxers like Benny Leonard, Joe Gans, and Jack Johnson all clever, were the ones most kids copied. But when Dempsey came along and started drawing down those big purses, with million dollar gates, fighters, promoters, everybody started looking around for the slam-bang guys who figured to draw the big money. That's what changed boxing all around."







Athletic excellence reaches its peak in the highly skilled boxer. Like the bullfighter, danger is the arch foe, which makes his artistry so fascinating.

As he practices the deft feints, sidesteps, counters, and movements which mark the accomplished boxer, an enthralling performance can be the result. Boxing began as the "Art of Self Defense" and while defensive tactics can not be expected to whet the appetites of the bloodthirsty, they are nevertheless the true essence of boxing.

One of the masters of the art who too rarely is recalled was the late former middleweight champion Vince Dundee. Veteran Bostonians will attest that few more impressive exhibitions of ring cleverness have been seen anywhere than Dundee's title-winning victory over Lou Brouillard in that city on Oct. 30, 1933.

Up New England way they considered Brouillard invincible and the best southpaw ever—not excluding Lew Tendler. Dundee, handling the bull-like New Eng-

lander much like a matador does "El Toro", with shifty maneuvering and side-stepping, nullified Lou's strength and power.

Brouillard became so frustrated as the fight wore on that he resorted to roughhouse tactics which rebounded to Dundee's advantage with the officials.

Dundee had his troubles with Teddy Yarosz, a similar defensive specialist. Vince should have called it a career after suffering a broken jaw and severe punishment in a match against Freddy Steele in 1935. But after a year's respite he resumed boxing in 1937, retiring at the end of the year. His passing after a long illness at the age of 45 in California in 1949 was most untimely.

All of Jimmy Slattery's ring appearances were dazzling for the grace and beauty of his boxing, his peak performances being his two abbreviated victories over Jack Delaney in '24 and '25. Delaney was a genuine ring scientist himself but his deliberate movements were too slowly paced to cope with the phantom-like fencing of the 19-year-old from Buffalo.

At the height of his prowess, a Willie Pep performance was invariably so befuddling to his foe when Willie really turned it on that at times the luckless rival seemed completely unaware of where he was, so bewilderingly clever would be wispy Willie's pin-wheeling about the ring.

Never was Willie harder to handle than the night he came up with all the answers to tough Paddy DeMarco's billy goat style in Madison Square Garden in 1948.

In the long ago, Packy MacFarland was in the same category with Pep and Slattery for clever consistency. But the gray beards tell us his demonstration of the art of handling a tough puncher like Leach Cross still stands out after all these years for its perfection in the boxing art.

It took place in old Madison Sq. Garden 55 years ago. Leach's rooters crammed the arena, making the rafters ring with roars of encouragement for their idol. But they were soon silenced by Packy's wizardry and the neighborhood hero's futility against the master.

Billy Conn was another who made superlative skill his trademark. Billy had to do some table-turning the night he met tough, hard-hitting Solly Krieger in the Garden on May 12, 1939. The score for two previous meetings was even with one victory apiece, but Conn's skill had now matured. Solly was never in the running as Billy turned in a classic exhibition.

One of the cleverest boxers of his time, Dave Shade was not of the routine stand-up school usually featured by clever men. The long jawed Californian crouched very low and was a highly difficult target. But when he cared to assume an erect position he knew all the moves.

In a long career of deceptive boxing Dave was never more effective than the night he completely baffled brawling Ace Hudkins in Los Angeles on May 27, 1930. Every time Ace threw a punch Shade was somewhere else. He proved to Hudkins that boxing is after all, a game of skill."

Everyone could always expect a demonstration of boxing from Kid Chocolate which was not only artful but thrilling as well. Cuba's one-time Patent Leather Kid turned in many such performances. One of these was against the hard hitting Filipino Ignazio Fernandez at Brooklyn's Ebbets Field in 1929.

It was pleasant that evening in Ebbets Field watching Kid Chocolate give a superlative exhibition of boxing.

Many superb demonstrations of skill took place in the "minor league" strongholds of boxing in days gone by. One such was turned in by current referee Ruby Goldstein in Long Island's old Queensboro A.C. 35 years ago. The opponent was one of the tougher club fighters of the section, Joey Kaufman. Using the bout as a tune-up Goldstein put on a display which left the viewers gasping at its boxing perfection. Goldstein admits that never was he better than on that night in 1929 when he stopped Kaufman.

No name in boxing annals conjures up more memories of masterful boxing than

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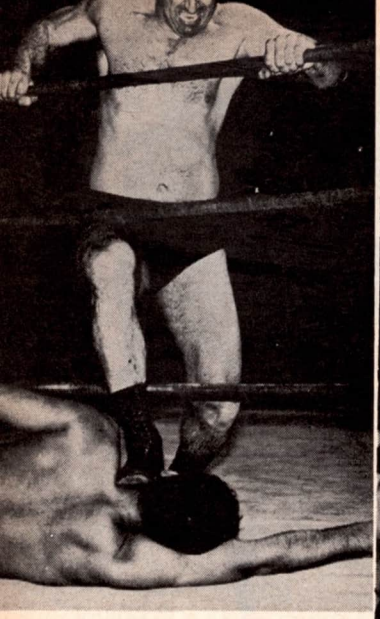
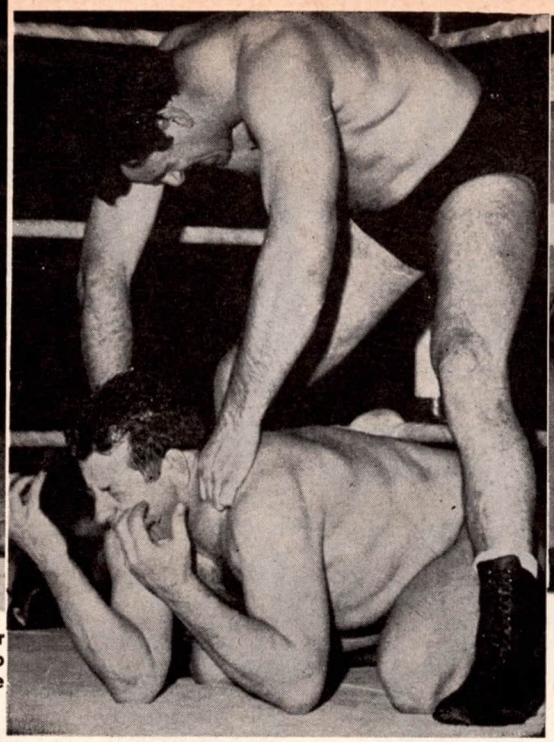
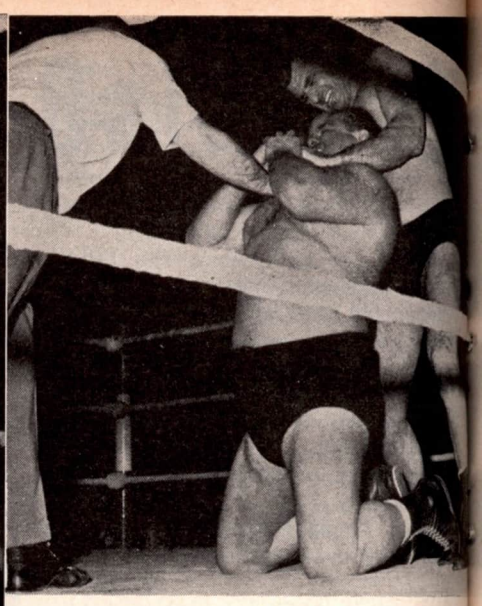


A sure way to pick up a cauliflower ear. Valentino is presenting one to star from India, Cobra Singh. Note the size of that offending boot.



"Sheer power, but sheer brutality, as well," said the press reports of the Falcon's performance against Czaya Nandor. Mike definitely is not massaging the Hungarian's neck.



Mighty Ursus, the Bear, weighing a mere 330 pounds, found the Maltese a very cross opponent. Mike used a deadly chinlock on the brute man, who said "This guy ain't got no mercy."

MIKE VALENTINO, MALTESE FALCON, POWERFUL, NASTY

Giant Came Into Wrestling With Memories Of Nazi Terrors

By JACK LEONARD

(Photos by Author)

PALE LIPS quivering with fear, the scrawny ten-year old scrambled over a heap of rubble, sped as fast as his quaking legs would carry him toward the nearest building. Sirens screamed shrilly in his ears, the terrifying whistle of falling bombs choked the air.

The rumble of explosions was everywhere in the city of Valetta, Malta Swastika-marked fighter planes and dive bombers spewed death and destruction all over the city, flaming napalm touched off scores of roaring infernos. Anti-aircraft guns returned the German fire sporiadically, their meagre firepower a pitiful defense against Hitler's war machine. The Nazi "blitzkreig" had descended on Malta, strategic Mediterranean island.

The boy dodged down the rubble-strewn street, throwing himself flat every time the ominous whistle of a bomb sounded a near hit. Finally, he reached his objective–a small church, miraculously untouched by the holocaust. He staggered to the door, fumbled with the heavy latch. The portal swung inward, and almost unconscious, the boy dragged himself to a dark corner. *'Maybe!'* his thoughts raced, *'maybe the bombs won't hit the church!'*

Suddenly, the banshee scream of the rocket bomb. A violent blast rent the air, shaking the church to its foundations. The boy watched in horror as the far end of the building disintegrated in black smoke, acrid fumes and flying rubble, bricks and mortar showering everywhere. The walls shuddered, chunks of them crashed down all around the cowering waif.

"The roof is going to fall in!" the lad screamed in Maltese. *"No! No! It can't!"*

Trembling, he cowered in the semi-darkness, a ragged child against the terrors of the German war machine.

"War is unbelieveable until you've actually lived through it, experienced the bloodshed, the agony that you see everywhere." The broad-shouldered, black-haired man spoke softly. *"The memories of what you see, what you hear–the bombs, the explosions, the gunfire–they never leave you. I've never forgotten for one minute hiding in that little church, trying to get away from the bombs even when I knew I couldn't."*

The big man shuddered. And it takes a lot to make a hard man like Mike Valentino shudder the way he did.

"We lived through hell," Valentino went on, emotion tinging his voice. *"We were stuck for six years on an island so small that we had nowhere to run, nowhere to hide. I was ten when the war started, and when I turned thirteen, I joined the Maltese Army. Not that there was much we could do against the Nazis. But resistance was better than hiding in dark corners, waiting for a bomb to come down on you.*

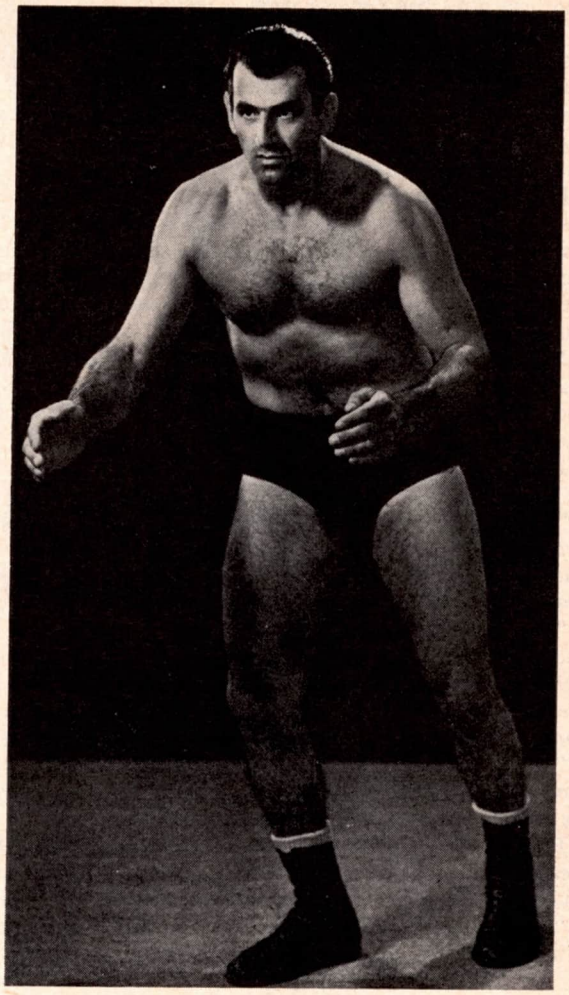
"Everybody fought as best they could, manning machine guns and anti-aircraft batteries. I think almost every citizen of Malta was in the Army, and many of them died for their island."

Mike Valentino was one of the luckier ones. At the end of hostilities, he was honorably discharged, only sixteen years old. Immediately, he returned home, only to find everything shattered. No vestige of the old life was left, most of his family was gone.

For several years, Mike barely supported himself by toiling long hours as a dock worker. But the heavy labor had its benefits. Slowly, it rebuilt his emaciated frame, packed inches of muscle onto his big-boned body. At the age of eighteen, the young Maltese had shot up to six feet four inches, and had filled out to more than two hundred rock-hard pounds.

By 1950, Mike had picked up the high-school years the war had denied him. Searching for something better than longshoreman's wages, Mike rejoined the Army of his homeland, this time as a member of the Military Police. It was here that he first came in contact with the sport that earns him so good a living.

Like every other M. P., Valentino had to be adept at all forms of self-defense, and that included catch-as catch-can wrestling. Army athletic instructors marvelled at the raw-boned recruit's natural aptitude. Power tactics came easily to Valentino, his strength was an important weapon.



Here we have Mike Valentino, from the Island of Malta, in all his physical glory. That he is big is evident. That he is strong and mean his opponents will attest. All Man, All Wrestler.

"I stuck with the M. P.'s until 1954," Mike relates. *"Then I began to get restless for something new, sort of a fresh start. Friends told me, 'go to Canada.' I thought it over for a couple of months, talked myself into the idea, and made the trip by sea late in 1954."*

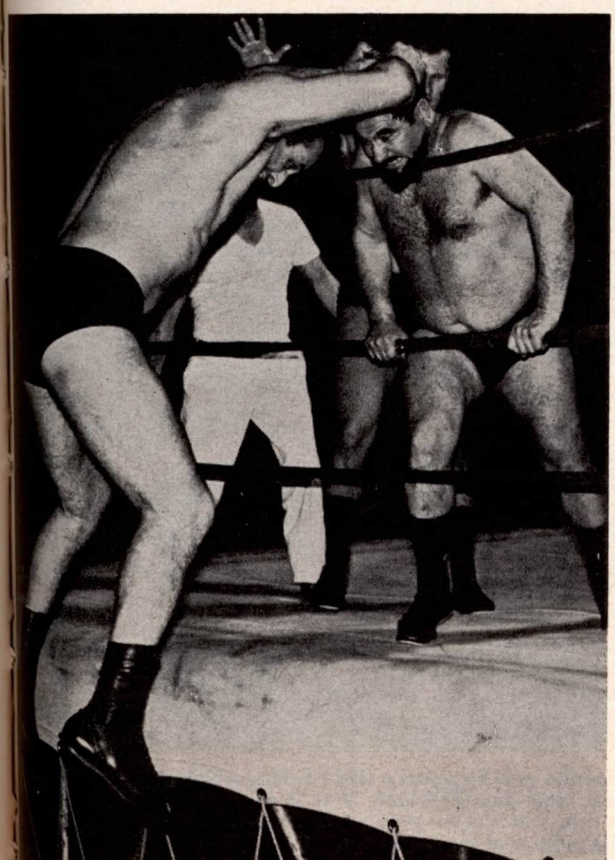
Valentino put his roots down in Toronto, after a trip nearly halfway around the globe. Still undecided about his future, he lived for several months on savings while casting about for a suitable way to earn his living.

"I'd had enough of police work, so that cancelled a law enforcement career," he says. *"I just didn't know what I really wanted to do."*

"I'd kept up with my wrestling, of course, all the way through my time with the M. P.'s, and in Toronto, I started going to a gym.

'Workouts' was too mild a term. Valentino left everyone who tested him in a state of shock, and inside a couple of months, has gained quite a reputation. He had worked out with a couple of pros who dropped into the gym, and given them all they had wanted.

News of the Maltese bruiser's grappling talent wasn't too long in reaching the ears of Toronto promoter Frank Tunney. Tunney hustled down to the gym, caught a glimpse of Valen-



When Dave Ruhl met Mike the customers sat back with expectations of a real brawl. Mike and Davie are deadly foes on and off the mat. Here is Mike choking Ruhl on the ring rope. When Valentino let go David went catapulting like the young man on the flying trapeze.

tino in action, decided he'd made a find and turned him pro.

The following week Mike was in a Toronto ring for perhaps the toughest debut a novice ever had, against formidable Luther Lindsay, Negro star. Mike battled hard-driving Lindsay right down to the wire in a twenty-minute match that night. Luther was impressed, so much he told Tunney *"this is one of the hottest comers I've ever seen, Just watch him go!"*

In the Lindsay match, and others that followed over the next few months, Valentino played things strictly by the book. Every move was classic, he broke holds quickly, shook every defeated foe by the hand. Rough tactics always originated with Mike's foes, and when they did, Valentino responded with bruising but scientific tactics.

More often than not, though, Mike found himself on the losing end of things against the ruffians of the sport. Rough and hard-knocking as his scientific tactics were, they just didn't seem to do Mike much good against the punch-and-kick crew. A drastic overhaul of his style was in order, Mike decided, or he would wind up as wrestling's most popular flop.

"The rougher guys batted me silly," Mike reflects. *"The Miller Brothers kicked the stuffings out of me, Buddy Rogers nearly smashed my head in against a ringpost, Dick Hutton did some fancy work with his fists and knees. I was getting killed!*

"One night, I decided to give 'em some of their rough tricks back . . . in spades. I wrestled a guy who worked nice and clean. I threw some punches, stomped him, pulled his hair. A kick in the ribs did a lot more damage than a hammerlock or a toehold, and it just took me six minutes to beat him.

"I'd wrestled the same guy a couple of weeks before, and it took me nearly half an hour to down him. I compared that to six minutes, and decided that this way was for me!"

From then on in, Mike didn't just get rough. He got double-rough, became one of the nastiest matmen around. Fans hooted and jeered the hulking Maltese, and fired everything at him.

"I figure the size of your bank account pretty accurately indicates your success in this game," Mike shrewly figures. *"By the size of my balance, I'd say I'm doing pretty well since I pulled the big switch in styles."*

Valentino's winning trail has extended across two continents and it shows no sign of stopping. He's gone from opening event loser to main event winner, and has reaped the rewards of the hard journey.

A Valentino match packs big excitement and thrills. Mike has a knack of starting feuds with popular grapplers, and the fans have turned out in droves to witness the results, many of them because they know they can expect a 100% effort from the Maltese Falcon.

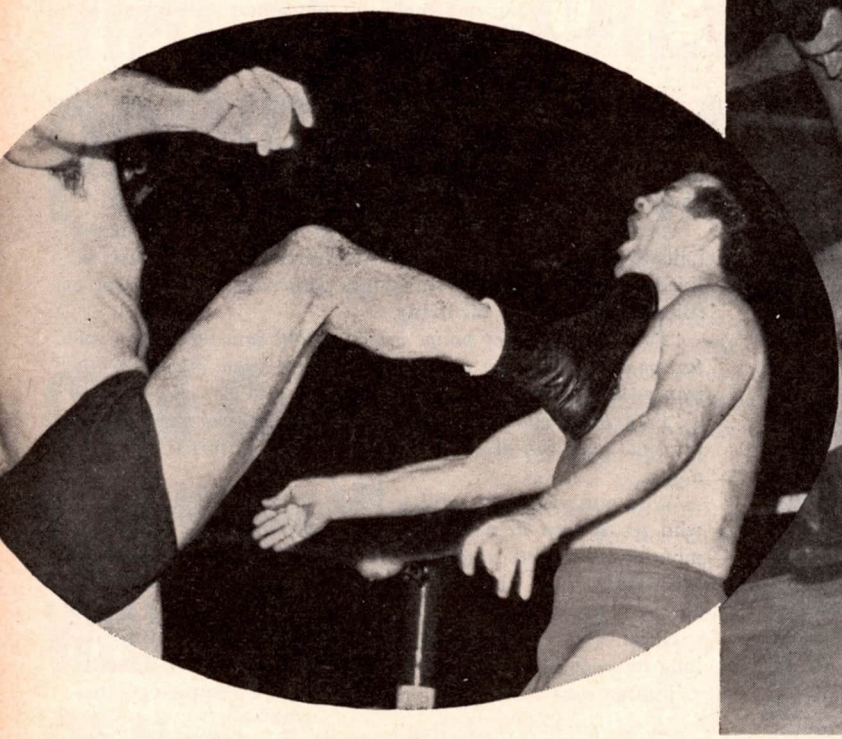
Big Mike has criss-crossed Canada innumerable time. His junkets on American mats have been ultra-successful. Puerto Rican fans have seethed at his brawling ring manners. Italian, German, English and Maltese arena habitues have watched in bewilderment as Valentino methodically went about his rugged business of dismembering opposition, using his brute strength as his main weapon.

Name the big names, and Mike has been in a ring with them. One of his classic matches was against Buddy Rogers, a few years back in San Francisco. The bout was a brawl from start to finish, and both contestants were exhausted when the referee finally called it a draw after sixty minutes of action.

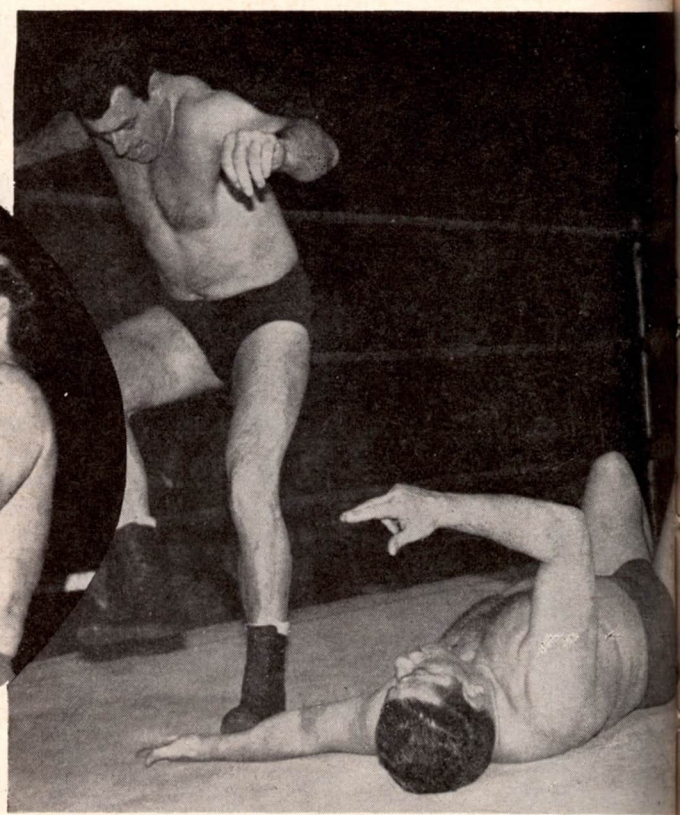
Rogers and Valentino had both pulled out all the stops, but neither could gain the winning fall. And considering that Rogers was just months away from taking the measure of Pat O'Connor in a title match in Chicago, the bout was a tribute to Mike's courage and ability in the ring.

Valentino's no-holds-barred philosophy was pointed up dramatically in a recent series with Hungarian aerialist Czaya (Bob) Nandor. Their clashes were Valentino all the way, although Czaya's clever maneuvers clicked on two occasions to make him a winner.

Nandor didn't even get airborne against Mike's might. The Maltese Falcon slammed into Nandor from the bell, overwhelming him with sheer power and *(Continued on page 64)*



Nasty Mike? That's an understatement. Here is another phase of his match with Nandor. The Falcon tossed the Magyar against the ropes and as Czaya carromed off, Valentino slammed his boot into his foe's chest. That's how men get hurt in the ring.



Valentino says he wears a size 13 shoe, which has to be made to order. Note how delicately Mike is using the boot on Nandor's left arm, which is left paralyzed as the Maltese looks for another vulnerable spot for his attack.

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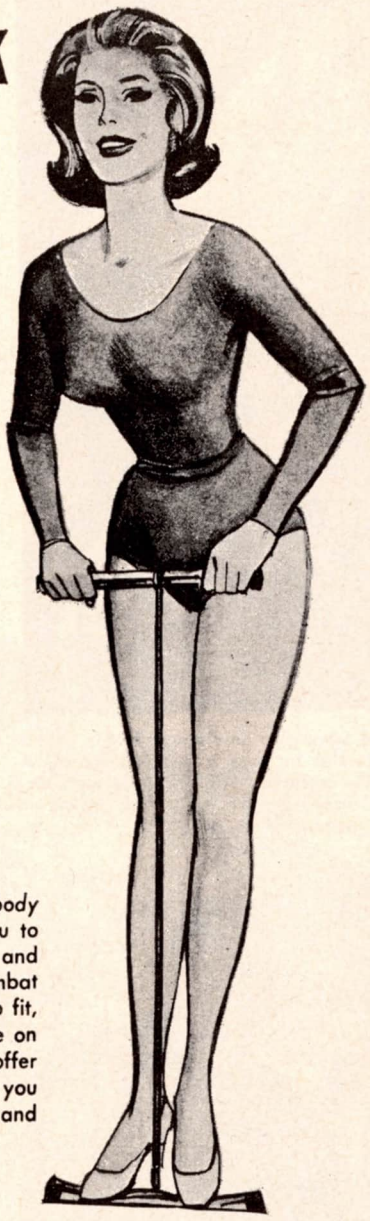

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BLIND STRANGLER HAS HIS RELIGION

By HARVEY TROY

When Ed Strangler Lewis was in his prime as a wrestler he was a striking figure. A handsome superbly conditioned, well developed specimen of manhood, Lewis is all-time wrestling great.

Lewis was 60 when he was photographed with young George Drake in 1950 at the Los Angeles Athletic Club. Photo shows powerful physique of once feared Ed.

Lewis At 75 Is Sightless But Has Faith In His God

TULSA, Okla.—Strangler Ed Lewis, one of the greatest wrestlers of all time and especially effective with the deadly headlock, lives in this area.

Lewis has a fund of reminiscences which would make a remarkable book. But right now he is more taken up with religion than with anything else in life.

Lewis is 75 years old, and blind. He is sightless for the second time. He was stricken three years ago. He had been in full possession of his sight for forty years after having been hit when he was in his prime.

After Lewis had been stricken for the first time the greatest specialists in the United States and abroad told him his case was hopeless. But Strangler fought on, confident that he would recover. And recover he did.

The doctors now say that there isn't a chance that he will regain even 20 percent of his vision. But Ed says, "I beat the rap once and I will do it again. I have confidence in the Lord. If he was able to heal me once, he can do it again.

"I am going through a beautiful experience. This is just another test to prove God's allness.

"During the past three years I have gained in spirit. I have acquired a true sense of human values in these seasons of tribulation.

"Even in my heyday I was unhappy. I was despondent, easy to anger. I got into a wordy battle with another wrestler and first thing I knew I had a gorgeous ulcer.

"I had a lot of hate in my heart. No matter how great my success, I didn't have enough. Then one afternoon in Cleveland, I got a living sermon from a tattered shoe shine boy. He was the picture of joy and contentment.

"I said to myself, 'What's wrong with you? Just look at that kid. Hand to mouth, always smiling.'

"I took inventory of myself. I found that I had bypassed faith, religion. I changed. My body chemistry changed, too. I became a contented man.

"Before that I almost jumped off a ship on which I was returning from a tour of Europe.

"My recovery from my first loss of sight traced to my faith, my religious belief. I owed much of that to a friend, who, I might say, converted me."

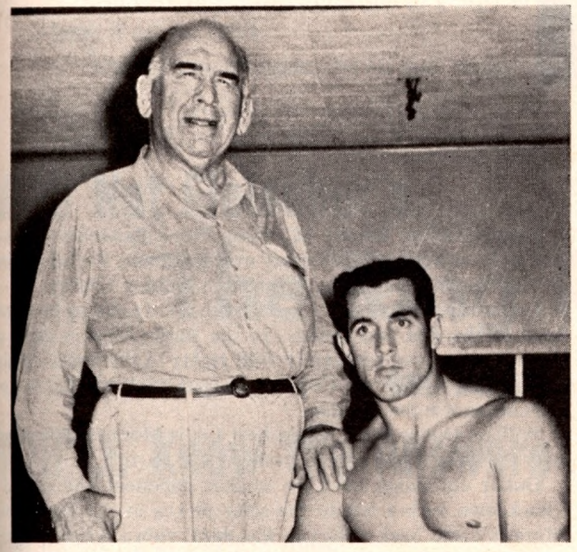
One day Ed will sit down and start telling the story of his life, and of his remarkable wrestling career. He promised to do this before he went blind for the second time. Now that he has had time to think things over he may be ready to tell his complete story, and develop in others who are in trouble the faith which buoys him up at 75.

The Strangler Lewis Story is one of the most fascinating yarns which has yet to be told by a professional sports great.

Many a mat hero of the past passed for a real expert because of publicity and a favorable reception from the writers. No use in naming some of these straw men of the ring. Their identities would astonish readers of Ring Wrestling.

But whatever Ed Lewis possesses in the way of wrestling reputation is his by right of complete demonstration, asserted ownership, and versatile skills.

Here is a wrestler who grew in ability, in stature, through his own efforts. Here



Now completely blind, Lewis is pictured with Bob Elliott, one of the better grapplers of today. But Elliott and his playmates of today would be easy prey for Lewis in his hey-day.

is a man who never went through a bout without learning something. And here is a man who was ready to help others, if they wanted to be helped. Blind and 75, he still is helping.

Few know that at one time Lewis considered a professional baseball career. In fact, he played pro ball in the Blue Grass League. When this leaked out, Lewis was disqualified from all sports at the University of Kentucky, where he had starred in football, basketball and wrestling, as well as baseball.

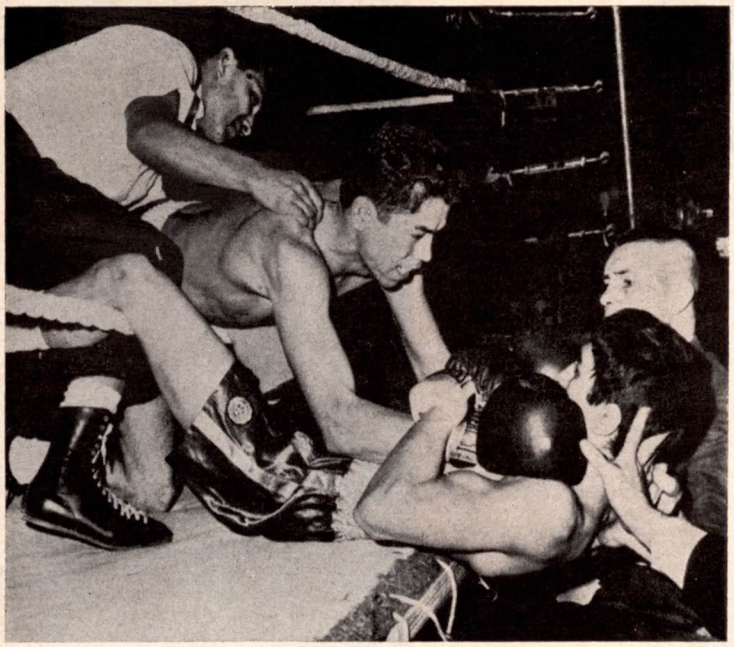
Lewis was christened Robert Frederick, and was born on a farm near Nukoosa, Wis.

Lewis became an outstanding athlete in high school. He was a county champion at 16, a ball player reputedly headed for the majors at 17.

In his senior year at Kentucky he became the physical director. He not only coached in four sports, but engaged in professional wrestling matches.

Lewis was a student. He studied body structure, physiology, and the nervous system. He learned where pressures on nerves could be most effective for a wrestler. He spent years working with the head lock. He made a *(Continued on page 64)*

Five Times world's champion, Strangler Lewis is shown applying his famous strangle hold on European strongman Hans Kampfer. In photo below Lewis has table reversed by a pretty young maiden.



Neither Eddie Gonzales, of Fort Worth, nor Bob Rod Rodriquez, Minneapolis, 118 pounders, won the title in their division in the national Golden Gloves finals at Kansas City, Mo. But they made the picture of the night when Gonzales got his man onto the ring apron and tried to pin him there. Gonzales got the quarter finals decision.

Quarry, Los Angeles Heavy, GG Standout

By JOHNNY ORT

THE 1965 Golden Gloves came to an end with the National Tournament at Kansas City, Mo. and the New York finals in Madison Square Garden.

New York City, once the focus of Golden Gloves activities, did not participate in the National finals. Twenty-one states, including New York, which was represented by Buffalo, competed in the finals at Kansas City.

The highlight in Kansas City was Jerry Quarry's victory in the heavyweight class. The Los Angeles boy's first victim was Lynn Farr, Forth Worth, who was knocked out in 50 seconds of the second round. In the championship round, Quarry tangled with Jim Donlinger of Minneapolis. They slugged it out toe to toe until Quarry decked his opponent for the full count.

Don Cobb, St. Louis, and Marcus Anderson, Louisville, won their second straight national crowns in the welterweight and featherweight divisions, respectively. Both easily outpointed their opponents, Cobb in whipping James Parks, Cleveland, and Anderson in taking a decision from Clyde Tyler, Huntington, West Va.

Mel and Ronnie Miller were the first brothers in the history of the Golden Gloves to win national titles. Ron, a flyweight on the Minneapolis team, won a close decision over Earl Large, Roswell, N.M., while Mel, representing Billings, Mont., won the bantamweight crown by out-pointing Eddie Gonzales, Fort Worth.

The only knockouts in the finals, other than those by Jerry Quarry, were scored by Al Jones, Detroit, in stopping Dave Matthews, Buffalo, in 1.27 of the third round to win the middleweight title and, that scored by Fankie Anderson, Kansas City, in starching Tony Drake, Omaha, in 48 seconds of the second round in the lightweight section.

In the team standing Los Angeles, scoring 19 points, edged Detroit, Kansas City and Fort Worth, which tied for second place with 16, Minneapolis was third with 13, and St. Louis fourth with 10.

After the Kansas City Finals were over, the 39th edition of the New York City Golden Gloves Finals took place before a capacity crowd of 18,759.

In the flyweight division Gerald Abraham, Wagner Center, used his height and reach to outbox Ivan Lorenzo, Parks Department.

George Colon, Empire SC, using Floyd Patterson's peek-a-boo style, scored a tough victory over teammate Rafael Alvarez to win bantamweight title, his third in Golden Gloves.

Colon repeatedly hurt Alvarez with left hooks to body and head in the first two rounds. In the third, Alvarez came on strong and landed repeatedly with rights to the head, causing nose bleed. However, Colon managed to land the sharper punches to win the decision.

William Outlar, PAL, easily beat Louis Morales, Boys Club, over the three round route to win the 135 lb. title.

Outlar out-maneuvered his smaller opponent and scored a knockdown with a left to the solar plexus in the first round. Morales came back strong in the third with a series of rights and lefts to the head but could not overcome Outlar's early lead.

The 175 lb. final was more of a wrestling exhibition than a boxing match. Alton Singletary, Wagner Center, outgrappled Clarence Green, Empire SC, to win. Singletary scored the only clean knockdown of the fight in the third round with a left to the jaw.

In the middleweight division William Burton, Salem-Crescent A.C., and Robert Herrington, Wagner Center, battled toe to toe for the first two rounds with Burton landing a left hook to deck Herrington in the second for an eight count. Burton continued to be sharp in the third round as he pounded Herrington to the head and body to win the title.

In the featherweight division Ulysses Mercer, PAL, dominated Wilfredo Morales, Wagner Center, during the first two rounds with hard body punches, pummeling Morales from one side of the ring to the other. Morales came on strong in the last round but could do little against his stronger opponent.

Henry Castro, Boys Club, won the 147 lb. title by outclassing Tony Bordonado, Parks Department. From the first round on, Castro hit his opponent at will. In the second round Castro opened a cut over Bordonado's eye and reopened it in the third.

The expected highlight turned out to be the dullest match. The heavyweight fight between Alonzo Johnson, Wagner Center, tournament record one decision and two kockouts, was pitted against Matthew Blow, shipping clerk with a similar record.

Johnson, the crowd's favorite, could not get untracked against his speedy opponent who *(Continued on page 57)*

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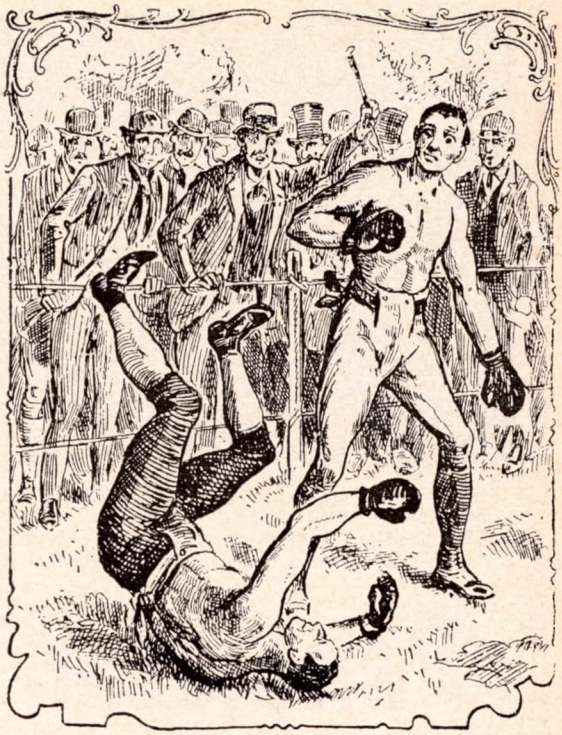

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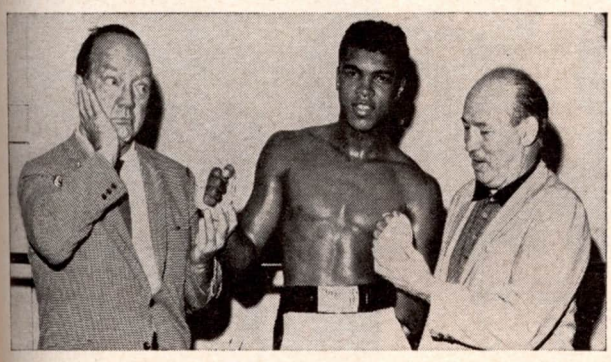

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Pendleton's Frilot, Foster Gain San Diego Titles

By BILL MILLER

SAN DIEGO, CAL.—A sold-out box office; a welterweight gaining his sixth consecutive championship; an 8-minute standing ovation for the light heavyweight title Final; and, a total of $77 in silver thrown into the ring, were some of the features packed into the Evening Tribune-AAU Boxing Championships in the Coliseum.

Miss Paula Kent, Promotion Director, Evening Tribune, has been Boxing Championships Tournament Director for the past 13 years. Miss Kent recruited Phoenix and Los Angeles teams for the tournament. Two members of the U.S. Olympic Team were entries.

The 1200 reserved seats for the 1965 Championships were *sold out* three weeks prior to the event. There was activity in the advance sale of 2300 general admission seats two weeks in advance.

The carnival brought together outstanding boxers from Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force bases throughout Southern California, as well as Golden Gloves competitors from Los Angeles and Phoenix. Boxers competed in 10 weight classes.

For the first time in 3 years, Navy boxers led the Marines in boxing championships, six weight classes to four.

The Veteran Boxers Association trophy (Outstanding Civilian Boxer) was awarded to Al Robinson, Arizona Golden Gloves Bantamweight Champion.

MacArthur Foster, Camp Pendleton Marine light-heavyweight, took a close decision over Ream Field sailor Solomon Johnson to win the light-heavy Championship and the Ed Sanders' Memorial Trophy (Outstanding Tournament Boxer).

The Foster-Johnson match was the wildest toe-to-toe slugfest seen in the championships for many years.

Another highlight was the welterweight knock-out victory by Maurice (Frenchy) Frilot (Camp Pendleton All-Marine titlist and member of the 1964 Olympic Team) over Naval Air Station boxer Prentice Cobb. The victory gave Frilot his sixth consecutive Evening Tribune-AAU welterweight championship in as many years.

Sixty percent of the net proceeds from the Championships have been turned over to the Pacific Southwest Association, AAU.

Master Sergeant Freddy Lenn receives the Ed Sanders Memorial Perpetual Trophy awarded to Camp Pendleton for being the home base of MacArthur Foster, who captured the light heavyweight crown and the tournament's Outstanding Boxer Award from Paula Kent.

GRIFFITH WANTS MIDDLES

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by the use of right uppercuts. In the second round Emile was bothered by Stable's crouch and weave, missing often with his probing left.

In succeeding sessions, Griffith found the answer. He smothered the effectiveness of Stable's body attack by moving in to meet Jose, then tying him up.

Both men fought inside through the fourth with Griffith landing the cleaner, more powerful punches.

Referee Arthur Mercante had his hands full in separating the fighters as the clinching between action increased with Stable showing evidence of wear and tear.

The fifth round vacillated betwen slow action and some good toe-to-toe battling.

A mouse appeared under Griffith's left eye and got worse as the match progressed. It was the only visible injury suffered by the champ in the fight.

In the sixth and seventh rounds, both men moved at a faster pace, with Stable attempting to land to the body while Griffith used his left to stick and move around the contender. In the final half of round seven Griffith landed hard rights that shook Stable but the challenger managed to weather the storm.

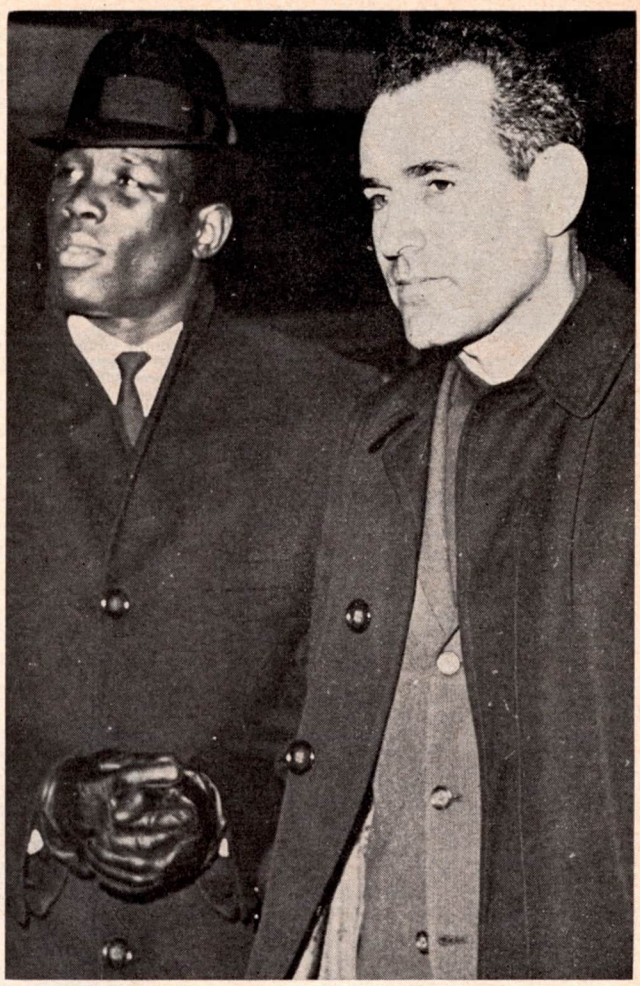
The eighth round was one of Stable's best. He seemed the fresher and was able to swarm through the champ's defenses to land with flurries of lefts and rights to Griffith's midsection.

The ninth was another good round for Stable. He pressed the champ with solid smashes to the body as he bobbed and weaved from a crouch that Griffith was unable to penetrate or stop with his snapping left jab.

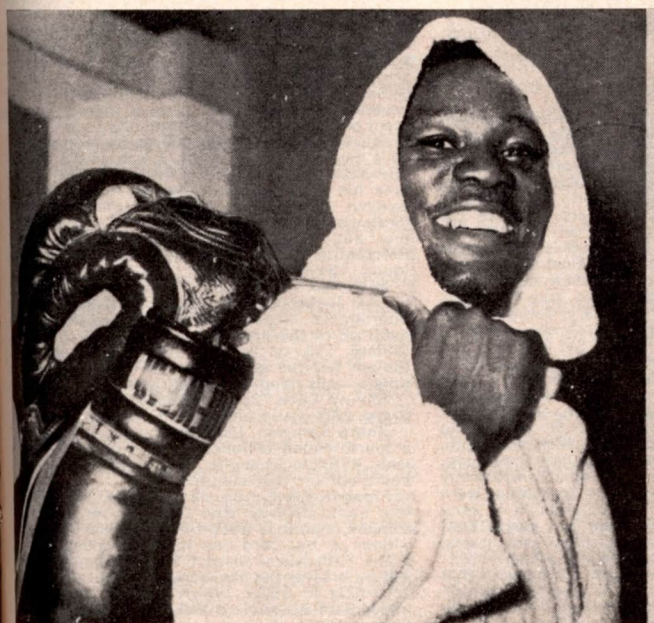
The tenth round was the turning point of the fight. Griffith landed two lefts and a solid smash to the head that shook his opponent. Griffith now was finding the mark more often with his left jabs and hooks along with a powerful right hand to the head that had Stable in trouble at the bell.

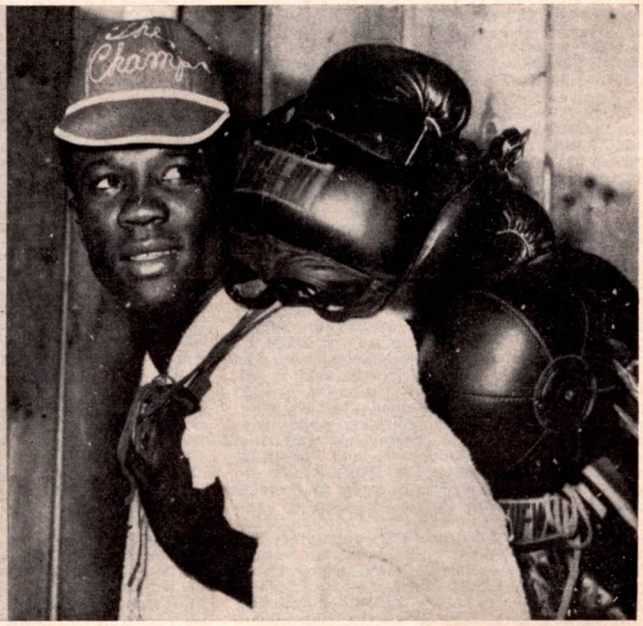
Griffith, who was now in full command, stepped into Stable in the eleventh with short jolting punches that had Jose in trouble throughout the round. The contender repeatedly held and Griffith was warned by the referee for wrestling when he attempted to pull free from his tiring opponent.

Griffith was repeatedly admonished by Clancy between rounds for loafing. *(Continued on page 57)*



A dapper-looking Griffith is set for a stroll with co-manager Gil Clancy, who has guided Emile to the pinnacle he occupies today. The pair is looking forward to bigger and better things in the future.





A grinning Jose Stable (left) carries boxing gloves and other gear after pre-bout training session at Monticello, N.Y. camp, while Griffith (right), wearing a cap on which is stitched "The Champ," seems to be lugging his whole kit and kaboodle following a session at his quarters at Kiamesha Lake, N.Y.

Packey O'Gatty laughingly squares off with Congressman John M. Murphy as Lou Salica separates them. Freddie (Red) Cochrane and Vince Handley look on.

V.B.A. ROUND-UP
By Packey O'Gatty

At the fashionable Downtown Athletic Club on West Street, Hank Leonard put on a swell show for his gang there. Hank also did a swell job as master of ceremony. Among the fistic fraternity present were, Tommy Loughran, former world light-heavyweight champion; Sam Taub, noted radio and television commentator; Jimmy "Bow-tie" Bronson, veteran boxing manager, and ex-welterweight contender, Billy Graham.

To Mrs. Pearl Nesta, Washington, D.C.'s number one party-giver:

1. In 1904 Prof. Mike Donovan was invited to the White House to box with President "Teddy" Roosevelt. In one of their set-tos, Roosevelt was reported to have received an injury to one of his eyes (a detached retina). Donovan often in stories had been accused of being the cause of it, but the truth was that Roosevelt received the injury while boxing with his son, Quentin.

2. In 1870, John Morrissey, former heavyweight champion of America, was elected to Congress from the Fifth New York District, and served two terms in Washington, D.C.

Jersey Joe Walcott, former world heavyweight champion, who now wears the badge of Deputy Director of the Camden, N. J. Police Department, for the swell work he has done for the youth. Walcott, and World War II hero and former world boxing champion Barney Ross, have promised yours truly that they can be counted on to appear at the Brooklyn House of Detention soon to address the boys there.

At the Italian Civic Association's Lungs and Liver Fiesta, in Mount Vernon, N. Y. Chief boxing inspector and former boxing champ Petey Scalzo doing his "Greek-bit" with the famed Madison Square Garden's announcer, Johnny Addie. They had over one thousand members there rolling and holding their sides.

Accompanied by Sammy Richman, boxing promoter and former American representative for the late world middleweight champ, Marcel Cerdan, we visited our very ill friend, Sammy Schiff, who is battling to survive on the strong heart he has. Schiff, a member of Paul Berlenbach's Brooklyn V.B.R. Ring #21, was a sparring-partner for the late Benny Leonard, when Benny was training to defend his world lightweight title against southpaw Lew Tendler. Schiff's many get-well messages from pals in V.B.A. Ring #21 and others, are appreciated by him, his wife and daughter.

Guy Turpin, president of the Texas VBA San Antonio No. 1, also president of the world Boxing Historians Association, telephoned yours truly from San Antonio, to say that five new members have been added to the WBHA. They are J. Earle Pemberton of Glacer Bay, Nova Scotia, publisher of a boxing paper "Punching With Pemberton"; Tom Norberg of Boras, Sweden; William Van Buskick of Fort Bragg, N. C.; James Duffy, New York City; and D. Cook of San Antonio.

The first annual dinner-dance of VBA Ring #25 Union-Essex-Morris Counties, honoring Charlie Fusari, Freddie 'Red" Cochrane and Willie La Morte, at the Coronet, Irvington, New Jersey, was a packed house affair, 600 tickets sold in advance and over 200 outside trying to get in when the doors were closed. President Charlie Fusari, Dr. Max M. Novich and Johnny Alessio and members sure did a swell job. Johnny Addie as usual was tops with the introductions, and Phil Brito, singing star of recording, T.V. Radio and movie fame, was also on the ball. Vince & Jo Handley who were celebrating their 26th wedding anniversary, with their cameras they just about shot everyone. Among those present were, Jersey Joe Walcott, Mickey Walker and his brother Joseph Walker, New Jersey's Boxing Commissioner, Rocky Graziano, Barney Ross, Tony Galento, Stanley Poreda, Allie Todisco, Tommy Brady, Jersey Jones, Tippy Larkin, Corp. Izzy Schwartz, Young Gradwell, Lou Halper, Blind Mickey Delmont, Tony Strazzeri and his gang of Phila's VBA Ring #1 and many more other rings.

Dr. Max M. Novich has a weekly boxing class in his home in South Orange, N. J., where students are given free instructions. They run from seven to thirteen years of age.

Cannonball Eddie Martin, ex-world bantam king, working at the Erie Basin docks in Brooklyn as a stevedore, is joining Paul Berlenbach's popular VBA Ring #21 . . . Al Letty, of Staten Islands Boxers Ass'n, has hit the jack-pot at the Golden Nugget Casino in Las Vegas. He and his fine wife will spend a month there, before returning to Staten Island . . . Joe Vargas (Fresno VBA) is moving this month from Los Angeles back to Fresno . . . Frankie (Jay) Jacobs, the well-liked past president of New York VBA Ring #8, and boxing manager Jack Singer, report their Flame Steak House, on West 42nd Street, is getting to be quite a spot for veteran boxers and the gang to eat.

Paolino Uzcudun "The Basque Wood-Chopper" who fought Joe Louis, Max Baer, Mickey Walker, Tommy Loughran, Paul Berlenbach, Primo Carnera and others, is living outside Madrid in Spain and is well off, according to boxing historian Charles Fletcher of Swiden, Wilts, England.

Sandy Saddler, former world featherweight champion, is the gym instructor on board the S.S. United States. . . . Both Chicago's VBA Ring #2 and Al Wolgast's Farrell, Pa., Shenandoah Ring #5 have pulled out of the National Veteran Boxers Association. . . . Prof. Nello Collari, in Rome, Italy, has notified both Rocky Marciano, the retired undefeated world heavyweight champion and yours truly, that we have been made honorary members of Unione Nazionale Veterani Sportivi Roma. Thank you, Nello, from both Rocky and me. . . . Fearless Babe Orlando, with "The Reporter" is doing a very fine job. . . . Boston's VBA Ring #4's Don Sauer, who is a jailer in the Sheriff's office in Kingston, Mass., when he gets the referee assignments, has to shoot home from his job, to grab a quick bite and then drive 90 miles (about 2 hours) to Mechanics Hall at Worcester, Mass., to be the third man in the ring.

This is a photo of Jack Larkin, taken years ago on board ship. Note the exercise.

V.B.A. TRAIL
By Jack Larkin

Ring #23 of the Lehigh Valley will host the 1965 National V.B.A. Convention, October 1, 2 and 3. The site is Allentown, Pa., "The All American city." Charlie Ettinger, chairman, urges all to plan now to attend. Wonderful days and nights are being planned for your entertainment.

Over 300 friends and members attended the 18th Installation Dinner-Dance of the Veteran Boxer Assn. Ring #4 of Boston, Mass. The affair was held in the Hotel Touraine, Boston. Installed were: Joe Heirty, President; Eddie Milson, 1st Vice-President; Joe Sweeten, 2nd Vice-President; James Rogers, Recording Secretary; George Penta, Financial Secretary; Bob Hart, Treasurer; Fred Rich, Auditor; E. Rocky Stone, Sgt-At-Arms; and Board of Directors, Past Presidents, Teddy Murphy, Billy Meyers, Johnny Walker and Jack Haughton. The honored guests were, Most Reverend Father Henry Luke Sullivan, Rabbi Oscar Bookspan, "Ole" Sy Rosenthall, Senator Mario Umana, who served as M.C., Hick Finnegan, Tommy Rawson, Ed Urback, Herman Greenberg, Jack Larkin, Abe Ford, Sam Silverman and Johnny Wilson. Jack Munn and Jack Haughton were awarded the Silver Glove in appreciation of services rendered to Ring #4 over the years. Past President Billy Meyers made the presentations. Senator Jules Ansell was installing officer.

Tommy Mitchell, former boxer, sends word that he will form a V.B.A. Ring in New Hampshire. Former boxers can get in touch with Tommy by writing to him at Wolfeboro, New Hampshire.

Russ "The Ghost" Kelcourse, of Ring #4, Boston, has started a youth movement in his home town of Quincy, Mass. With the help of other V.B.A. members, Russ is teaching the local youngsters the noble art of self defense.

Tom McGroaty, Ring #4 member, is looking for a 1932-33-34 record book for his collection. Get in touch with him at: 23 Cherry St., Quincy, Mass.

Joe Sweeten, Vice President of Ring #4, is very proud of his two nephews, both members of the Hoboken, N. J., Police Department.

Ernie Shuster, Past President of V.B.A. #9, N. J., has returned from a European vacation. Ernie toured ten countries doing most of his traveling via jet.

Pep Barone, President of Ring #23, of Lehigh Valley, Pa., and former manager of Sonny Liston, is recuperating at home after a heart attack.

Prince Henry, of Ring #23, will soon celebrate his 76th birthday. Henry fought some of the best lightweights in the early twenties. He is an active member of V.B.A. and an excellent after-dinner speaker.

Al Frazze, National V.B.A. treasurer, is at home in Philadelphia, Pa. after a recent operation.

Yours truly recently became President of the National V.B.A., succeeding Packey O'Gatty. For detailed information on how to go about forming a Ring write to us at: 35 Morris Ave., Garfield, N.J.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

Sam Boardman's schooling is paying off handsomely for "Irish" Gene Robinson, the up-and-coming Junior Middleweight from St. Augustine, Florida. The veteran boxing manager and trainer molded the youngster into a good piece of fighting machinery. After only two appearances in Jacksonville, Gino stands over others as the most popular boxer around here. One fight alone catapulted Boardman's boy into Jacksonville hearts and that was the big one, an eight rounder with Rocky Randell.

▸ Carl Sivers, a former fighter who had championship talent when co-managed by The Wise Sage, Bill Gore himself, and the late Al Jensen prior to World War II, deserves a tribute. Sivers achieved a feat when on the first four boxing cards co-promoted by Miss Patricia (Pat) Boardman and Johnny Rushing in Jacksonville, he refereed EVERY bout. Now that's work.

▸ The top test was before him, an opponent who knew every trick in the game, but "Irish" Gene Robinson came through in grand style. Much to the delight of fans in the packed, smallest fight club in the world—the Little Boxing Arena in Jacksonville—Gene was awarded an eight round unanimous decision over Randell who now operates out of Savannah, Georgia. The battlers went at it from beginning to end, at a fast pace. The action never slowed down. Gene weighed 152, to Rocky's 151. He started off good and strong but his lead was whittled down as Randell came to life in the fourth, fifth and sixth. Robinson had an edge in the seventh and wrapped it up with a slam-bang finish in the eighth.

Junior welterweights Doyle Shiver, of Jacksonville and Sonny Cummings, of Jacksonville Beach met in a return bout and this time Shiver had the better of the four rounder. He won unanimously.

Jimmy Stone, a youthful lightweight out of Savannah won his first pro go. He defeated a former local ace, Jackie Luke, 130, who filled in as a sub and did a pretty good job.

Joe Louis White made a second Jacksonville appearance and won by a knockout over Jimmy Riccio, a dead-game heavyweight from Savannah. Riccio was a kayo victim in the fourth round.

▸ Billy Spangler, ex-Miami boxer, is doing construction work in Jacksonville.

▸ Tim Ford, a RING MAGAZINE Best Prospect several years ago, was given a main-go assignment on March 12th in Jacksonville's Little Boxing Arena. While he won over George Sawyer, of Miami by a technical kayo in the fourth round his performance was not among his best. Tim tried to take his man out from the opening frame but Sawyer, a tall boxer outcutied the Jacksonville fighter at every turn. That is until Tim cornered him and blasted away with both hands and Referee Carl Sivers wisely stopped it in the fourth round. They're welters.

In the six round semi, Jimmy McLain, a sailor at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station and Sam Boardman's classy junior middleweight, needed but 1:46 of the first round to dispose of Herman Gilliam, 155, of Jacksonville. Prior to the kayo, Gilliam felt the canvas for an eight count. Each time a right hand by McLain was responsible.

Johnny Cook, 200, Jacksonville, stopped Don Shaw, 190, same city, in 1:50 of the first.

Jimmy Simpson, 168, Jacksonville, was awarded a fourth round technical knockout over Ray Wilkins, 170, Jacksonville, when Wilkins failed to come out for that chapter.

Prentice Clark, 135, Jacksonville, was given a four round decision over Doyle Shiver, 140, Jacksonville, also in a good tiff but Shiver looked the winner on our card due to his effective wallops.

▸ The Fifth Naval District Boxing Championships will be held at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station, according to Sailor Jimmy McLain, a pro boxer under Sam Boardman. McLain coaches the JNAS team.

▸ A great, big THANK YOU to each member of the Jacksonville Boxing Commission: Chairman Julian Jackson, Secretary Ed (ole Fearless Ferns) Corley, and Commissioners M. C. Moore and Ted Harris and Special Commissioner Chuck Rogers.

WORLD RATINGS

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top ranked heavyweights. This leaves that sector without change.

The defeat of Stable by Griffith has not caused any drop in Jose's position. For one who never had fought 15 rounds, his performance against the champion was good enough to enable him to retain Number Three among challengers in the class.

Brian Curvis of Wales and Willie Ludick of South Africa have exchanged posts due to Curvis' loss to Willie.

Several new faces make their appearance in this issue, several top men have fallen and others have been eliminated.

Gaspar Ortega, veteran Mexican welter who keeps facing the world's best, has been dropped from ninth to tenth following his defeat by Manuel Gonzalez, of Odessa, Texas.

Paul Armstead, Los Angeles, Cal., lightweight, who knocked out Joe Tetteh and then lost to unrated Johnny Cooke, is listed fourth among the 135 pounders, with Ismael Laguna, who is signed to fight Carlos Ortiz for the lightweight title, advanced to third, replacing Paul.

In the same division, New York's lightweight, Frankie Narvaez, due to idleness, has been dropped from eighth to ninth, exchanging spots with Franco Brondi, Italy.

Two changes have been made in the heavyweight ranks, with Cleveland Williams of Texas, still on the hospital list, and Doug Jones of New York, eliminated due to idleness.

They have been replaced by Thad Spencer, Tacoma, and Amos Johnson, Medina, Ohio, the former in ninth, due to his defeat of Billy Daniels.

Advancements in the light heavyweight division find South Africa's Gert "Hotty" Van Heerden raised from ninth to eighth, and Bob Foster, Washington, D.C., victor by knockouts in two recent bouts, lifted to ninth.

Curtis Cokes, Dallas, has replaced Stan Hayward, Philadelphia, in the welter sector, spot No. 9.

Following his loss to Sandro Lopopolo, Italy, Pierro Brandi, his countryman, has been dropped from third to sixth among junior welters. Sandro has replaced Brandi in third position and Tito Marshall, Panama, has advanced one peg to fourth.

Paul Fujii, Honolulu's top junior welter, has been added to the elite, ranked tenth. He replaces Doug Vaillant, Cuba.

Don Johnson, Los Angeles, who lost to Howard Winstone, England, has been demoted to tenth from seventh, in the feather class.

A newcomer in the bantam division, No. 10, is Alan Rudkin, England, who defeated Johnny Caldwell and is the holder of the British bantam crown.

Bob Allotey, Ghana, victor over France's Jacques Jacob, has been raised from tenth to ninth among the flyweights and Vicente Derado, Argentina junior lightweight, advanced from eighth to sixth in the lightweight division following his triumph over Jaime Valladares, Ecuador.

Ray Asis, Stockton, Cal., has been eliminated from the bantam ten due to his defeat by Alex Benitez. He has been replaced by Katsuo Saito, Japan. Ronnie Jones, Chicago, has been eliminated by Rudkin.

There are no flyweight changes.

GIARDELLO AND TIGER STILL MILES APART

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after Rivero had stumbled to his feet after being battered to the canvas for a nine-count.

Managing Director Harry Markson and matchmaker Teddy Brenner of the Garden express confidence that the Giardello-Tiger match will be arranged. Giardello says he wants the Garden to give him a non-title bout first to prove that he isn't giving Tiger the return bout merely for the purpose of being reinstated as a licensed boxer in New York. A quaint line of reasoning.

"If Markson can get me licensed by the New York Commission, and will give me one overweight match, I'll agree to fight Tiger in New York if the price is right," Joey announced. "I think I am worth a guarantee of $100,000. That's what I expect."

To meet such conditions, Markson and Brenner hope to put on another double header, with Patterson and Chuvalo sharing the card with Giardello and Tiger.

To make such a deal profitable, based on the high demands of both Joey and Floyd—a $50 tops is under consideration.

"This, plus a theater TV national hookup, should make such a card pay," said Brenner.

Rivero had better compete as a light heavyweight, which he definitely is, if he hopes to continue in the USA.

In the sixth round, a right shot by Tiger blasted his jaw and staggered him. Quick as a flash, Dick leaped for the kill. He pummeled the fat tummy with a barrage and Rocky went down, the first time in a career of more than half a hundred battles.

He took an eight count and struggled up at nine, but was in no condition to continue.

Tiger was the master throughout. I gave him every round as did all officials and ringside reporters.

On being informed by his American manager, Jersey Jones, that Giardello had agreed to give him first crack at the title, Tiger said:

"I shall go back home to my family and will return as soon as I receive word of the date and place for the title fight. I hope that Joey keeps his word this time.

Tiger weighed 165. The announced weight of his opponent was 169¾, figures that were ridiculed by the appearance of Rivero.

When Patterson fought Chuvalo, the bout sparked a boom. But that boom curdled in the two following shows in which Zora Folley outclassed Oscar Bonavena, of Argentina and Tiger whipped Fatty Rivero.

Rivero has lost five fights in a row and no wonder, considering the layer of lard around his mid-section! No fighter in his condition would have been permitted to engage in a New York contest when William Muldoon, Bill Brown and Jim Farley were overlords of the boxing game.

The Argentinian, who had stopped 36 opponents in 41 victories, was so unimpressive, it is doubtful if he'll get another opportunity on a Garden card for some time, if ever.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING

By Ike Morales

Jerry Lott, former National AAU bantamweight champion who won his first fight as a professional in an eight-round main event for Whitey Esneault, may wind up in California rings before long.

"Lott is an eager-beaver," said Manager Esneault, **"he wants to fight and since the fight game here has bogged down, temporarily at least, there's nothing else for me to do but send him to my representative in California."**

Ray Wilmore, another one in the Esneault stable of fighters, was ready to go along with his stablemate. Wilmore is the young middleweight who is unbeaten in some seven money fights.

For the records, Whitey Esneault is the dean of New Orleans boxing managers and trainers. The veteran Esneault, if you'll recall, started off such fighters as Ralph Dupas, Willie Pastrano, Bernard Docusen, Maxie Docusen and numerous other headliners in the Crescent City.

Dupas, recently retired at 29, boxed some 130 professional fights, winning more than 100 of these. Ralph annexed the mythical junior-middleweight title from Denny Moyer and lost it to Sandro Mazzinghi.

Pastrano, who followed Dupas as a boxer went on to win the world's light-heavyweight title from Harold Johnson. And as for the Docusen brothers, Bernard and Maxie boxed with marked success before hanging up their gloves for keeps.

Currently, Whitey Esneault is busy with a total of 75 fighters (including amateurs and professionals) and the veteran fight handlers believes he has a number of potential champions in the making from these youngsters.

One of Whitey Esneault's better prospects is Frank Misenhelter. Although losing to Oscar Dufrene of Houma, La., in the finals of the 1965 Southern AAU Championships, Frank was scheduled to represent St. Mary's CYO at the National Golden Gloves tournament at Kansas City.

Rico Rodriguez, 118 pounds, and Ronnie Pineda, 100, are other future ring stars, Esneault believes.

The 1965 Southern AAU boxing championships were staged before capacity crowds at Metairie Playground gym. Shreveport YMCA nosed out Westwego AC for the team honors with 18 points to 16 for the Wego and St. Mary's CYO finished third with 13 points.

Bobby Broussard of New Iberia, La., was voted the outstanding boxer in the tournament after Bobby turned in a creditable showing in whipping Dennis Laurent for the 125 pound championship.

Three fighters who won 1964 laurels in other divisions captured titles for a second time. They were Chuck Mincy of Westwego; Jo Jo Garza of Shreveport, and Buddy Mincy of Gonzales.

Following the Southern AAU championships, the ringsters moved up to Lafayette, La., where the Louisiana Golden Gloves tournament was staged.

The New Iberia Youth Club won the overall team title, while Bobby Broussard of New Iberia was chosen outstanding boxer in the three-day event.

The 1965 La. Golden Gloves champions crowned were:

112 pounds; Tommy Priola, Lake Charles.
118 pounds; Jimmy Trosclair, Westwego.
126 pounds; Bobby Broussard, New Iberia.
135 pounds; Conley Adams, Shreveport.
147 pounds; Charles Richard, Lafayette.
160 pounds; Jojo Garza, Shreveport.
175 pounds; Ray Paxton, Shreveport.
Heavyweight; Buddy Mincy, Gonzales

THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

LA LAGUNA

ONLY ONE BOXING SHOW DURING THE MONTH at Arena "Olimpica" of Gomez Palacio, State of Durango, with the results as follows:

Armando Villa, 115, Nazas River, knocked out Gabriel "Ostion" Beltran, 113, Mexico City, in the fifth round. This Villa little one will go places.

Panchito "Chico" Ramirez, 126, Mexico City hard hitter, kayoed young Ricardo "Rico" Amezcua, 127, in the fourth. Manuel Castillo, 127, and newcomer Ricardo Diaz, 128, drew in 8 furious rounds. Julio Cesar Segura, 117, whipped Juan Medina, 122, in six heats. Paco Pizaña, 116, stopped Enrique Solis, 114, in the very first round.

NORTHERN MEXICO

NUEVA ROSITA—Four boxing shows at this coal town of the Coahuila State, with the results as follows:

"Negro" Reyes, 125, stopped Frankie Nevarez, 126, in the first round. "Paloma" Flores, 118, halted "Pitacha" Oliva, 117, in the third.

Antonio "Gavilan" Puente, 122, kayoed Freddie Fernandez, 123, in the second. Vicente Ibarra, 121, iced Kid Pila, 122, in the third heat.

Horacio Escobedo, 124, kayoed "Estudiante" Lara, 123, in the eighth. Rata Garcia, 124, halted Javier Menchaza, 126, in the fourth round.

"Lechero" Gonzalez, 124, kayoed Antonio "Gavilan" Puente, 122, in six rounds and Ramiro Hernandez, 117, stopped "Paloma" Flores, 118, in the third heat.

MONTERREY—The fans of this industrial city, capital of Nuevo Leon State, enjoyed six boxing shows during the month, under the promotion of Enrique Lutteroth at his Arena "Coliseo" of the Lutteroth chain. Here are the results:

Jose Ines Cazares, 117, Saltillo, got the duke over Jesus "Chuy" Rocha, 116, after ten rounds. Alejandro Torres, 118, kayoed Jose Espinoza, 122, in the sixth.

Jose Angel Napoles "Mantequilla", 143, the classy Cuban refugee, kayoed veteran L. C. Morgan, 148, Youngstown, in only three rounds.

Efren "Alacran" Torres, 117, national mosquito champion, kayoed Menuel "Changa" Magallanes, 117, in the second heat.

Ruben Arocha, 149, Argentina, S. A., put to sleep Marcelo Vargas, 147, Durango, in the third. Panchito Ramirez, 125, decisioned Benito Vazquez, 124, in six rounds.

Javier "Sugar" Zatarain, 132, La Leguna, stopped Jose "Zurdo" Lozano, 133, in the fourth round. Rocky Garcia, 117, stopped "Casanovita" Aguilar, 117, in the fifth.

Francisco Quinteros, 148, Argentina, S. A., halted Ruben Rivera, 149, in the sixth. The gaucho man floored the local boy five times. Beto Guzman, 130, stopped Tony Lozano, 128, in the third.

Teo Sandoval, 126, easily whipped Carlos Hernandez, 128, in ten rounds. Panchito Ramirez, 125, kayoed Jorge Herrera, 124, in the fifth.

Jose Angel Zamora, 130, kayoed Julio Zuñiga, 132, in the seventh round. Enrique "Zudro" Cruz, 133, stopped Crispin Rodriguez, 131, in the fourth heat.

MATAMOROS — Raymundo "Battling" Torres, 148, national welter king, scored a 6-round kayo triumph over Carlos "Calucas" Rios, 146, La Laguna.

"Chamaco" Perez, 126, bested Guillermo "Memo" Ruiz, 126, in ten heats. Juan Favila, 121, kayoed Jesus "Chuy" Rodriguez, 120, in the third heat.

REYNOSA—Hermelindo Mondragon, 126, Acapulco, outscored Jesus "Chuy" Pruneda, 126, after ten rounds. Luis Briones, 120, whipped Esteban Olvera, 119, in the ten round semifinal.

Jose "Pollo" Gabiño, 133, scored a violent 8-round knockout over veteran Humberto Martinez "Kid Anahuac", 136.

JUAREZ — Raul Bolaños, 116, kayoed Luis "Pelon" Sanchez, 116, in the eighth. Aristeo Chavarin, 160, halted Arturo Macias, 158, in the second round. "Chango" Carmona, 123, kayoed Moy Mendez, 124, in the second.

DELICIAS—Javier "Sugar" Zatarain, 133, put to sleep "Coneja" Ruiz, 132, in the fourth round. Jose Angel Zatarain, 126, Sugar's kid brother, halted Ramon "Zudro" Torres, 124, in the second heat.

Tony Gallegos, 117, La Laguna, put to sleep Javier Rodriguez, 117, in the eighth. It was a fine night for all the boys from Laguna.

CENTRAL MEXICO

PUEBLA—Five boxing shows during the period at this old and historic city, capital of the state of the same name. The results follow:

Jose "Pepe" Sanchez, 120, kayoed Felix Hernandez, 118, Mexico City, in the sixth round. Jesus "Chucho" Alvarado, 121, Mexico City, stopped David Vazquez, 123, in the third heat.

Raymundo "Glostora" Perez, 117, stopped Luis Castillo, 114, in the sixth. Juanito Flores, 117, whipped Miguel Lopez, 118, in the 8-round semifinal bout.

Carlos Guzman, 110, halted Jesus "Chucho" Ramirez, 112, in the eighth round. Joe Celis, 120, bested David Vazquez, 118, in eight rounds.

Jose Santos, 117, iced Samuel Ferrer, 117, in the very first round. Cornelio Alvarado, 117, kayoed Carlos Segura, 117, in the second heat.

Raymundo "Glostora" Perez, 117, stopped Jesus "Chucho" Castañeda, 117, in the sixth. Jose Vargas, 118, iced Luis Ruiz, 117, in the third round.

GUADALAJARA—Four boxing shows were promoted by the Lutteroth organization at Arena "Coliseo" of this modern city, capital of Jalisco state. Here are the results:

Mauro Galvan, 132, kayoed Roberto "Charro" Gomez, 135, Acapulco, in only three rounds. Raul "Lobito" Montoya, 125, defeated Ray Vega, 124, in the ten round semifinal.

Pedro Cordero, 117, put to sleep John Cajina, 115, Nicaragua, C. A., in the third round. Sergio Miramontes, 127, halted Fernando Tiscareño, 126, in the ninth.

Marcos Gomez, 137, stopped Ricardo Villalobos, 135, in the fifth round. Jorge Jimenez, 126, whipped Manuel Alcala, 124, in ten rounds.

Jorge Rosales, 148, local champion, won by disqualification over brave bull Ruben Arocha, 148, Argentina, S. A. The fans booed the verdict. Alfredo Sanchez, 133, stopped Jose Angel Moreno, 132, in the fifth round.

ZACAPU—Joaquin "Chaparro" Heredia, 110, decisioned "Cyclone" Avalos, 111, in ten rounds.

PACHUCA—Two shows during the period in this mining city, capital of Hidalgo State. Here are the results:

Lupe Mendez, 118, kayoed Gaby Villagomez, 118, Mexico City, in the third. German Rico Jr., 125, iced Juan Ponce, 126, Mexico City, in the first round.

Rufino Marciano, 122, outpointed Joe Menchaca, 123, Mexico City, after ten rounds. German Rico Jr., 125, enbalmed Enrique Ramirez, 127, Mexico City, in the first.

CELAYA—Jose Luis Cruz, 137, former national lightweight champion, kayoed Kid Irapuato, 140, in the fourth round.

GULF COAST

POZA RICA—Evaristo "Cuervo" Salinas, 114, Mexico City, scored a ten round unanimous decision over Pedro Rodriguez, 110. "Frijol" Madrid, 126, put to sleep Beto Lara, 124, in the second heat.

CORDOBA—Virgilio Silva "Kid Gavilan", 118, bested Jose "Pepe" Sanchez, 122, Puebla, after ten rounds.

PACIFIC COAST

LA PAZ—Two shows were staged during the month at this city of Baja California and the results follow:

For the national middleweight championship, Challenger Guillermo "Memo" Ayon, 156, dethroned champ Everardo Armenta, 157, by the kayo route in the eighth round. Ayon, the new champion, is a physical culture professor.

Beto Gerardo, 147, stopped Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 148, La Leguna, in the eighth round. Raul Miranda, 125, bested "Pantera" Romero, 126, in the 10-round semifinal.

MEXICALI—They had two shows during the month under the promotion of Nick Rodriguez, the California tycoon. The results follow:

Raul Soriano, 136, national lightweight champion, rang the bells when he easily outpointed Louis Molina, 138, San Jose, California, topnotcher and number six man in THE RING ranking among the junior welters. The fight, a good one, went the ten rounds limit. Rafael Gutierrez, 159, kayoed Mario Rubio, 150, in the first round. Hernando Villegas, 130, stopped Silvestre Arnold, 128, in three rounds.

Ignacio "Zurdo" Piña, 125, the clever kangaroo from Sinaloa, drew with veteran Dwight Hawkins, 126, after ten rounds. Lupe Gonzalez, 116, upset favorite Felipe Gonzalez, 115, in the ten round semifinal. Rafael Gutierrez, 159, stopped Billy King, 162, in the third round.

CULIACAN—Delfino "Fino" Rosales, 126, got the duke over Rogelio Fernandez, 125, Durango, after ten well fought rounds.

LOS MOCHIS—Joe Valdez, 126, kayoed Frankie Abedoy, 125, in the sixth round. Juan Gonzalez, 124, kayoed Johnny Rios, 123, in the second round.

ACAPULCO — Ray "Sugar" Pino, 116, put to sleep Roberto SanMartin, 119, in the eighth round. "Cuquis" Mendoza, 111, bested Gabriel Pedroza, 113, after 8 rounds. Marcial Jimenez, 143, kayoed Gustavo Garcia, 138, in the seventh heat.

SOUTHERN MEXICO

OAXACA—Five boxing shows during the period at this historic city, capital of the state of the same name. Here are the results:

Alfonso Cazares, 110, won over Ray Garcia, 114, in ten rounds. "Pichon" Contreras, 119, put to sleep Panchito Amaro, 117, in the sixth.

Herminio Ceja, 130, halted Eduardo Torres, 126, in the third round. Benito Jimeniz, 125, kayoed "Lobito" Diaz, 124, in the eighth. Felix Gutirrez, 110, whipped "Vaquero" Luna, 112, after six rounds.

"Molinero" Matias, 130, the strong millman, scored a 3-round knockout over Pedro Garcia, 128.

Efren Jimenez, 126, the clever boy local feather champ and one of the ten best 126 pounders in all Mexico, iced "Tarzan" Hernandez, 125, Puebla, in two rounds.

In the scheduled ten round semi-final, Johnny Ortiz, 130, kayoed Gustavo Garcia, 136, in the second heat.

Carlos "Zorrito" Garrido, 110, scored a 9-round clean cut knockout over Fernando Blanco, 110, Mexico City. "Chavo" Hernandez, 117, halted Jose Ceballos, 116, in the fourth round.

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ—The fans enjoyed three boxing shows during the month, and the results were as follows:

Panchito "Chico" Ramirez, 126, surprised the fans when he kayoed Jesus "Chucho" Saucedo, 125, at 2:49 of the first round. "Chango" Moreno, 117, bested Lupe Torres, 118, in ten.

Raul Anaya "Gallito del Ring", 110, got the 12-round decision over Joel Cruz, 111, and the Chiapas state flyweight champion belt. Jesus "Torito" Zarate, 113, stopped Nacho Duran, 117, in the second round.

Enrique Yepez, 111, defeated Gabriel "Halcon" Ruiz, 109, Mexico City, in ten rounds. "Relampago" Zarate, 114, kayoed Mariano Badillo, 113, in the sixth heat.

SALINA CRUZ—Clever boy Raul Vega, 125, got the ten round unanimous decision over Gustavo Sosa, 123, Puebla champion.

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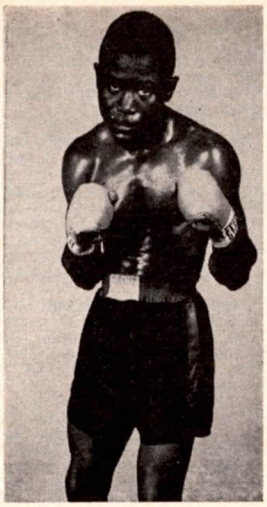

Bunny Grant successfully defended his British Empire and Jamaica lightweight title against Percy Hayles, over whom he scored a twelve-round split decision.

BOXING IN JAMAICA
By Charlie Gooden

NATIONAL STADIUM — The two boxing shows held at the National Stadium recently, drew a paid attendance of 35,000 fans.

Promoted by Lucien Chen under the sporsorship of the Machado Sports Foundation, a crowd of 22,500 turned out to see Bunny Grant, 134½, successfully defend his British Empire and Jamaica lightweight crown against challenger Percy Hayles, 134, in 12 exciting rounds.

Judges Tony Bridge and Vivian Blake voted for the champion 147-145 and 144-143 respectively, while referee Willie Pep saw it for the challenger 145-143.

In the semifinal, Kid Bassey, 141, won the decision over Basil Campbell, 143, in 10 rounds.

In another 10 round bout, Johnny Gumbs, 153, of Aruba, floored the Island middleweight champion, Rudolph Bent three times in winning the unanimous decision.

Barry Foster, 134, was the winner over Ken Duncan, 132, in four.

National Stadium: With 12,500 fans in attendance, Sugar Ray Robinson, 165½, knocked out Jimmy Beecham, 162½, of Miami, in 1:48 of the second round.

With the world champion Cassius Mohammed Ali Clay as his second, Sugar Ray flashed sparks of his old form in flooring his opponent three times before decking him for keeps.

In the semifinal, Kid Banga, 146½, won the unanimous decision over Johnny Gumbs, 149, Aruba, in 10.

Barry Foster, 132½, stopped Island's featherweight champion, Barry Mason, 126, in the 7th round.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

Carlos "Marinero" Celis, 135, decisioned Raul Rodriguez, 135, in 10. Jorobado Olvera, 119, outpointed Crescencio Mendez, 119, in 10. Nacho Maya, 116, outpointed Tele Gonzales, 119, in 8. Mateo Jaimes, 112, knocked out Genaro Garcia, 112, in 2. Eladio Elviera, 119, stopped Chucho Sandoval, 118, in 2.

Raymundo Chino Vera, 118, knocked out Jose Gonzales, 118, in 4. Andres Molina, 118, knocked out Manuel Perez, 117, in 4. Agustin Villada, 135, knocked out Jose Martinez, 134, in 5.

Ezequiel Martinez, 118, outpointed Florentino Arriaga, 118, in 6. Felipe Belman, 118, knocked out Antonio Lopez, 118, in 2.

Miguel Castro, 118, stopped Chucho Hernandez, 118, former national flyweight champion, in 7. Gerardo Luna, 118, stopped Alfredo Meneses, 118, in 7.

Conrad Barcenas, 118, drew Gustavo Martinez, 118, in 8. Ramon Camarena, 126, outpointed Arnulfo Matias, 126, in 6. Jorge Saldivar, 115, stopped Mario Cruz, 118, in 2.

Chucho Castillo, 118, stopped Goyo Sanchez, 118, in 1. Manuel Ramirez, 116, knocked out Raul Martinez, 117, in 3. Antonio Garcia, 112, knocked out Rogelio Mendoza, 111, in 1.

Manuel Mugica, 119, knocked out Ismael Justo, 121, in 3. Roberto Rojas, 133, knocked out Chicho Lopez, 134, in 1.

Alfredo Urbina, 136, outpointed Babe Vazquez, 135, in 10. Manuel Galvez, 125, outpointed Roberto Torres, 124, in 10. Chamaco Hernandez, 120, outpointed Hector Vazquez, 119, in 8. Filomeno Villa, 114, stopped Francisco Trejo, 114, in 6. Porfirio Mendoza, 118, stopped Ernesto Melgoza, 118, in 2.

Placidio Rodriguez, 126, outpointed Jorge "Chango" Villanueva, 126, in 10. Mateo Jaimes, 112, and Andres "Chema" Espinosa, 112, drew in 8.

Francisco Muñoz, 126, outpointed Ramon Beltran, 126, in 6. Jose Luis Martinez, 118, outpointed Gerardo Moreno, 118, in 6. Raul Perez, 112, outpointed Julian Sanchez, 112, in 4.

Fermin "Gallego" Gomez, 112, defeated Jaime Perez, 112, by disqualification, in 4. Crescencio Mendez, 118, stopped Nacho Maya, 116, in 4. Ernesto Tovar, 126, decisioned Roberto Ibarra, 126, in 8.

Mauricio Gascon, 135, defeated Agustin Chavez, 134, by disqualification, in 4. Eloy Gaona, 112, decisioned Jose Salgado, 112, in 4.

Jose Moreno, 125, took only half of the first round to stop Estudiante Ramirez, 126, Mauro Betascourt, 125, stopped Arcadio Ramirez, 126, in 6. Alfonso Izquierdo, 120, stopped Gregorio Teutle, 120, in 6.

Salvador Izguerra, 122, stopped Hector Gama, 122, in 2. Lolo Gomez, 147, stopped Rodolfo Gomez, 145, in 3.

BOXING IN ARGENTINE
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

LA PLATA—In the lightheavy weight division Angel Manzure won over José Caceres by a T.K.O. in the fourth round.

ROSARIO—In the welter class, Zenon Mansilla outpointed Ramon Luque in 10.

CORDOBA—Bantamweight Alfredo Romo won over Abelardo Martinez by K.O. in third, and his brother, Luis Romo, in his first professional bout, outpointed Ursino Bernal in 6. Luis was Argentine representative in the flyweight class in Olympic Games at Tokyo.

BUENOS AIRES—At the Luna Park ring, Argentine and South American welter champion Ramon La Cruz, outpointed Juarez de Lima, Brazil welter champion, in 10, in a title bout.

MAR DEL PLATA—Andres Selpa and Miguel Angel Paez, drew in 10. They are middles.

CONCEPCION (Tucuman)—Hard punching middleweight Emilio Alé Alí, kayoed Francisco Gelabert in first round and Carlos Aro, lightweight, and Carlos Gutierrez, drew in 10.

CORDOBA — Argentine and South American feather champion Carlos Cañete kayoed Eduardo Lopez in second round.

ROSARIO — Local flyweight champion Nelson Alarcon outpointed Juan Pereyra in 10 rounds.

SAN JUAN — Lightweights Julio Catalini and Felix Ramos drew in 10.

LA PLATA—Alfredo Retondo won over Juan C. Leiva by a T.K.O. in second round. They are welters.

BUENOS AIRES—At the Luna Park ring, Hugo Rambaldi won over Raul S. Villalba by disqualification in 8th round.

ROSARIO—Good local welter prospect Juan J. Unzuga won over Enrique Perea, Panama, on points in 10.

PUNTA ALTA — Humberto Barbato whipped Rodolfo Moyano on points in 10.

MAR DEL PLATA—Juan M. Diaz and Ubaldino Escobar, lightweights, drew in 10.

CONCEPCION (Tucuman)—Veteran welterweight Manuel Alvarez outpointed Alberto "Buby" Arroyo in 10.

SANTA FE—In the middle class, Carlos Monzón outpointed Andres Selpa in 10 rounds.

MAR DEL PLATA—Raul Villalba whipped Ubaldino Escobar in 10. They are lightweights.

SAN JUAN—In the welter division, Dante "Red" Rodriguez and Juan C. Juncos, drew in 10.

BUENOS AIRES—At the Luna Park ring, Argentine and South American feather champion, Carlos Cañete, kayoed Carlos Rios, from Panamá in a return match, in the third round.

CORDOBA—In the light class, veteran Argentine and South American ex-champion Jaime Gine, outpointed José Leyes in 10.

ROSARIO — Zenón Mansilla won over Andres Martinez in 10. They are lightweights.

TUCUMAN—Hard puncher Emilio Alé Alí, a middleweight, won over Norberto Juncos in a K.O. in 6th round.

RIO CUARTO—In the middle class, Alberto Massi won over Benjamin Gallo by a T.K.O. in fourth round.

BUENOS AIRES—In the light class, Argentine and South American champion, Nicolino Locche, outpointed Hugo Rambaldi in 10. Non-title bout.

BUENOS AIRES—In the Luna Park ring, Argentine flyweight champion Miguel A. Botta, outpointed Valentin Galiano (Kid Pascualito), Paraguay, flyweight champion, in 10.

TUCUMAN — In the lightweight class, Cirilo Pausa won over Victorio Cespedes by a K.O. in 7th round.

TRES ARROYOS—In the bantam class, Alejandro Juarez won over Abelardo Martinez by a T.K.O. in 9th round.

MAR DEL PLATA—Argentine lightweight champion Abel Laudonio whipped Eduardo Pedicconi in 10 rounds.

ROSARIO—In the light division, Andres Martinez, in his first professional bout, won over Jose Cisneros by a K.O. in 3rd round.

VILLA MARTELLI—In the feather division Jorge "Cucusa" Ramos, and Tomas Lima, drew in 10.

SAN JUAN—Lightweights Omar Gottifredi and Julio Catalini, drew in 10.

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SCIENCE LACKING? BALONEY!

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that of Tommy Loughran. Tommy appeared in the ring 171 times and rarely failed to provide a boxing masterpiece. Oddly enough it was in a training ring that his skill catapulted him to fame. Tommy, boxing since 1919 and already a veteran of matches with the likes of Tunney and Greb, had been slow in gaining public acclaim until that afternoon in September 1926 when he stepped out of the ring after astounding onlookers by making Jack Dempsey look bad. Dempsey, working for the first Tunney bout, had been battering his sparmates and onlookers felt sorry for the slim, handsome, young light-heavyweight when he was announced as the next victim.

But an amazed crowd watched Jack's attempts to hit Loughran thwarted so easily the champion began floundering desperately in his efforts to corner the lightning like Philadelphian. At the conclusion of the workout reporters dispatched the tidings far and wide that an unheralded 170-pounder had baffled the mighty Dempsey.

The USA never saw him at his peak but Cuba's Kid Tunero, whose crafty boxing had won him the accolades of fanciers throughout Europe, reached here in time to give at least one American audience a sample of his boxing skill.

In Cincinnati in 1942 they were already calling 20-year old Ezzard Charles the best fighter in the world, next to Joe Louis. The introduction of Kid Tunero on the night of May 13, 1942 as Charles' opponent was greeted with sympathy and derision. Tunero, on the tail-end of a long continental career which included a decision over Marcel Thil, proceeded to give the young and eager Charles a first class boxing lesson, winning a solid ten-round decision over the future heavyweight champion of the world. In any resume of boxing classics the rarely mentioned Tunero-Charles encounter should not be forgotten.

The late Harry Wills never forgot his fight with old Jeff Clark, known as the Joplin Ghost in New Orleans years ago. *"It was a long time back,"* Harry mused one day not long before his passing in 1958, *"but I haven't hit Jeff yet. Chappie, there was a man who knew his way around that ring. Jeff was never where you aimed at. They called him the ghost and let me tell you he was just that in a ring."*

Recently reminded of the Joplin Ghost, whom he managed back before World War 1, ageless Jimmy Bronson smiled, "You know Wills was right about Jeff but he didn't tell the whole story. Do you know that Wills finally got so mad and disgusted with himself because he couldn't hit the Ghost that he grabbed him around the waist in a clinch picked him up and threw him to the floor. I've seen clever exhibitions in my time but I've never seen one to equal that by the Ghost."

Skillful displays by heavyweights are much more infrequent than in the lighter classes but one of the best was put on by New Jersey's Paul Cavalier against blubbery, wild swinging, Tony Galento in the Garden back in 1931. As though using Two-Ton Tony as a foil before a class of boxing pupils the clever Cavalier set him up like a target for every smart move in a good boxer's repertoire. The crowd loved it.

During his career as a ranking welterweight Billy Graham gained a worthy reputation as one of the smartest and cleverest boxers of his time but one night in the Garden in 1947 young Billy was merely the pupil absorbing a complete lesson in the art of scientific boxing by one of its all time masters "Professor" Tippy Larkin. Fragility is all that kept Tippy from Garfield, N.J., from being among the all time ring greats. He complemented his skills with a sharp knockout punch when he cared to use it.

After 18 years of facing the toughest men available Giardello is still turning in crafty performances as middleweight champion of the world. Joey hit a high point for deftness in defeating a dangerous foe when he handled power hitting Ernie "the Rock" Dorando like a sparmate in the Garden back in 1953. There have been few better demonstrations of clever boxing in the big arena.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES

By Felipe J. C. Galang

Manila, Philippines—Flash Elorde, world junior lightweight champion, successfully defended his Oriental lightweight crown by outpointing Rene Barrientos, 135, of Cebu City at the Cebu Coliseum. The challenger is still too green for the more experienced Elorde. It became just a wookout for the veteran, a give-and-take affair and the younger challenger beat Elorde to the punch. Flashy punished his rival so severely that his left eye was completely closed at the end of the 12 round attraction.

Arnulfo Torrevillas, 115, beat Buddy Boy, 115, in the 8th round supporting card. Nario Torres, 127, stopped Jessie Necessario, 129, in 6. These boys stole the show. The favorite Necessario suffered a bloody mouth and a cut over his right eye.

Del Rosario Kid, 134, and Pete Acera, 135, received a technical draw decision in the very first round when they accidentally collided. Both were bloody when the bout was stopped.

Henry Acide, 111, and former flyweight champion of the Philippines edged Rudy Billiones, 109, in 10 rounds. Nilo Serrano, 113, stopped Oznida Kid, 114, in 6. Star Pete, 126 kayoed Rosalave Kid, 131, in 5. Joe Lepiten, 126, beat Tony Balajadia, 126, in 6. Leo Caballero, 126, stopped Tony Puertas, 124, in 2. Alex Abella, 115, outpointed Gonzalo Jugar, 114, in 4.

▶ Rocky Alarde, 141¼, badly defeated Ador Plaza, 140½, in 10 rounds in a Armando Besa and Raul Daza promotion at the Rigal Coliseum. Rocky was the hero of the night.

The Rocky Montante and Fil Ravalo bout ended in a three-round technical draw and the Young Arresto-Jessie Del Valle bout also ended in technical draw in 4. The Billy Brown-Bart Limin brawl was stopped by the referee and declared it a 'No Contest' in the 8th round.

Frisco Saquin, 113, halted Manny Diolata, 114, in 9. Fernando Lumacad, 110, bested Fernando Zamora, 111, in 8. Terrible Max, 130, won over Cesar Alarde, 126, in 6. Alex Alarde, 127, kayoed Porfirio Roda, 124, in 2. Bernardo Encila, 110, and Jose Alegre, 108, drew in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Rudy Villagonza, 119, stopped Cherry Montano, 118, in 10 round main event at the Rizal Coliseum. Rudy downed Montano with a right to the chin and received the mandatory 8-count in the 3rd. The bout was about to be ended when the bell came to the rescue.

In the 7th round Rudy punished his opponent with body punches taking the steam out of him.

Catalino Arpon, 132, defeated Raymond Rivera, 131, in 10. There was not much action between these two boys as Arpon had only substituted for Rey Miller in the very last minute. Fiory Kid, 125, and Aquino Junior, 127, bout ended in a technical draw in 4th. Flory received a cut in the left eye caused by accidental butting.

Ernie Jayme, 112, decisioned Tony Racho, 110, in 8.

Nicanor Cruz, 117, and Fil Bartolome, 116, drew in 8. Rocky Padilla, 109, bested James Gallenzoga, 109, in another 8 rounder. Boy Clinton, 133, decisioned Ganz Samaniego, 136, in 6. Jimmy Valdez, 116, and Rocky Talo, 116, drew in the 4 round opener.

▶ Sugar Cane Carreon, 129, bested Kid Centino, 129, in 10 rounds at the Besa Boxing Arena. It was a one-sided match. The sugar baby taught Centino a good boxing lesson in 8 rounds.

Rey Miller, 127, and Celso Patiag, 128, was declared a technical draw by the referee after a headlong collision in the 4th round.

Cornelio Mendoza, 110, won over Wonder Boy Ramos, 114, in 10. Ruben Tingal bested Ronnie Kid Arrozal, 120, in 8. Bernardo Magno, 120, defeated Sonny Pacho, 119, in another 8 rounder. Tony Racho, 112, outpointed Al Padilla, 115, in 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Al Diaz, 113, kayoed Tom Rico, 112½, in the first round of a scheduled 10 rounder at the Besa Boxing Arena. A right and left to the chin ended the bout. Rico, who recently had the flu, was unconscious for 10 minutes after hitting the canvas with his head.

Rush Benny, 117, won over Bering Sote, 119, via the TKO route. David Ferrer, 113, decisioned Enrique Gaspar, 112, in 6. Eddy Boy, 117, outpointed Manny Irinco, 119, in 4.

▶ Roy Amolong, 126, defeated Guam Typhoon, 133, in 10 rounds in Guam. Amolong suffered a cut over his eyebrow in the second round but took command in the succeeding rounds.

Jet Parker, 114, the No. 7 Oriental flyweight contender, won a majority decision over Bernabe Villacampo, 112, the RP No. 1 flyweight contender, in a 10 round bout at the Cebu Coliseum.

Parker took advantage of his height and longer reach. The Filipino-American jabbed his way to the front. His one-two combination from the sixth to the final round impressed a packed house.

Curly Aguirre, 125, knocked out Juanito Martinez, 125, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10 round supporting bout. Aguirre floored Martinez with a right cross to the chin for the mandatory 8-count. The former Oriental bantamweight champion followed it up with a solid right and Martinez was sent to dreamland. The time was 2:25.

James Clavilaz, 128, Davao pride scored a TKO over Tony Jomaoas, 127, at the end of the third round when the Games and Amusements Board physician, Virgilio Urgello, declared the latter unfit to continue due to a deep right eyecut.

Rocky Montante, 147, and Fil Ravalo, 144½, fought to a technical draw in the third round of a scheduled ten at the Rizal Memorial Coliseum. The fight was stopped in 1:15 due to accidental head butting.

Rocky Alarde, 141¼, won the unanimous decision over Ador Plaza, 140½, in a ten round contest.

Jessie del Valle, 130¼, and Young Aresto, 130¾, fought a four round technical draw.

Billy Brown, 114¼, and Bart Lumin, 114¼, engaged in a no contest bout.

Frisco Saquin, 115, TKO'ed Manny Diolata, 115½, in the 9th round. The time was 2:45.

Fernando Lumacad, 110½, son of former RP triple champion, Speed Cabarela, won a unanimous decision over Fernando Zamora, 111¼, in 8.

Terrible Max, 130, won by majority decision over Cesar Alarde 126½, in a six round bout.

Alex Alarde, 127¼, TKOed Porfirio Roda, 124¼, in 1:15 of the second round.

Bernardo Encila, 110½, and Jose Alegre, 107¼, fought in a split draw in the curtain mainer.

BOXING IN COLOMBIA

By Oscar Vergara Ramos

BUCARAMANGA — Veteran Rafael Luna, 136, knocked out Alfonso "Peludo" Arnedo, 134, in the sixth round.

Antonio Remolino, 128, knocked out, Joaquin Rincon, 126, in the fourth round.

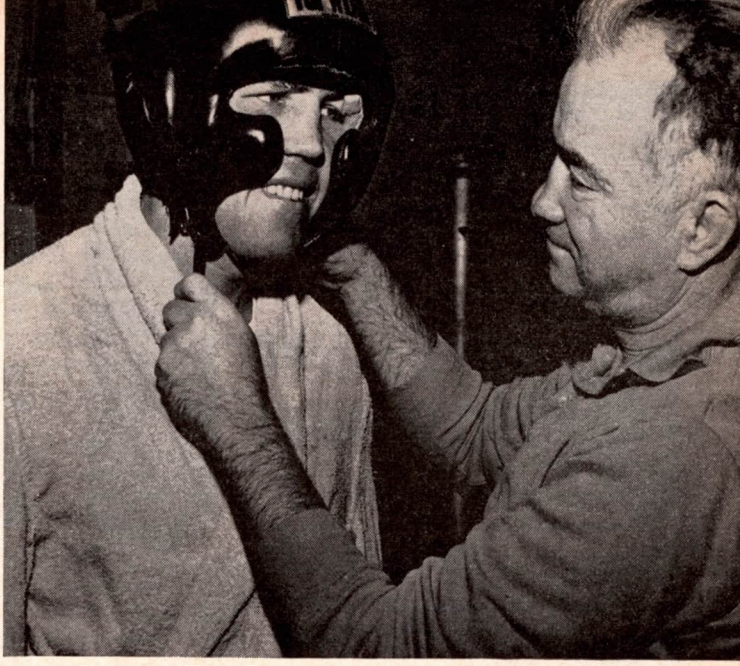
Pablo Barragan, 122, defeated Eudardo Santos, 122, by decision in eight rounds.

Juan Correa, 130, defeated Alvaro Rangel, 128, by decision in six rounds.

▶ **BOGOTA**—The Colombian Victor Cano, 118, won by decision in the tenth round over Manny Elias of EE.UU., 119.

Mario Leon, of Colombia, 116, defeated Hector Asiollo, 118, Venezuelan by decision in the tenth round.

Enrique Higgins, 130, knocked out Juan Escobar, 133, in the second round.



Joey Archer has his handsome features protected by a special headgear, snugly placed by trainer Freddy Brown. Joey's got to keep his good looks intact due to his doubling as a model outside the squared circle.

Ireland or Garden For Archer, title contender

By
EDDIE BRENNAN

THE No. 1 contender for the middleweight championship held by Joey Giardello is Joey Archer, of New York, who fought his way into that position by outpointing Dick Tiger in the Garden.

However, there is a lot of talk of a Giardello-Tiger return match, promised to the Nigerian when he lost the title to Joey in Atlantic City in December 1963.

There is nothing afoot concerning Joey Archer and Giardello in so far as the Garden is concerned. There is some talk in other directions. But nothing definite, nothing convincing.

When Jimmy Archer, Joey's manager, was questioned about his plans he indicated that he had something cooking in Ireland, where Joey would fight Mick Leahy and some other middleweight, in Dublin during the big Horse Show, in Kilkenny during the great Fair.

"Negotiations with the Irish have been going on for a long time and it's necessary that something definite be determined soon," Jimmy Archer told the Ring Magazine.

"We'd like to fight in Ireland. We'd like to fight again in the Garden. We'd like to get busy and collect.

"Just what the Garden now has in mind I don't know. It may happen for May."

Jimmy some time back refused an $8,000 shot in the Garden with Jose Gonzales or Rocky Rivero. Then Tiger belted Rivero out.

"We are in a strong position and they will have to come to us," Jimmy continued. *"You can't wipe out the fact that Joey beat Tiger and is the No. 1 contender."*

Joey was to have had a workout against Vernon Lamarr at Bangor, Maine recently but the promoter's death cancelled the date.

More or less recently Joey Archer got the decision over Johnny Torres in Paterson, N.J., but this hardly was a classic achievement. Joey had a tough time with the unrated middleweight.

The Archer affair with Johnny Torres in Paterson was followed by a small riot. The cops had to accompany Harold Valan to his car.

"The climax of the Paterson mess was scandalous," Valan told The Ring.

"As soon as the fight was over Jose Torres, who was in Johnny Torres' corner, raised the loser on his shoulder and paraded around the ring as if Johnny had won the fight.

"I told Jose he had been guilty of inciting to riot and should be reprimanded, if not suspended, by the New Jersey Commission.

"I was accused of having 'been sent over' to protect Archer. I do not wish to discuss Archer's showing. That is not the function of a referee. But that showing, such as it was, was sufficient to give Archer the decision. The Paterson management possibly held otherwise.

"One of the management grabbed me by my shirt and tore it. Later he offered me $20 to pay for the shirt. I told him what to do with the $20."

Archer "mitts up" with Yankee slugger Roger Maris during a lull in practice under the stands at the big Bronx ballyard. They're probably smiling after imparting some hitting techniques to each other.

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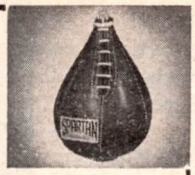

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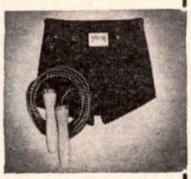

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BEATTIE BIG IN STATURE

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What with Beattie's elongated physique and the syndicate factor he soon aroused considerable interest among the boxing writers.

Since the catastrophic meeting with Barrazza the gigantic Jim has scored 14 knockouts with a total of 58 rounds, plus a five rounder win on points.

Beattie's seven round kayo over Dick Wipperman in the Garden last October 2, got a lot of journalistic notice, largely because of the beaten boxer's vehement reaction.

In the sixth round Wipperman gave Beattie quite a jouncing. Barney Smith, the referee, and medical advice sent Beattie into the seventh, with the inference that if he got clobbered some more he would be excused for the night.

Beattie's seventh round surge took Wipperman by surprise. Down he went. Was it a knockdown? Was it a shove? Smith called a halt and Wipperman tried to grab the mike to appeal to the fans. He protested vociferously. But the fight was over.

Going back to what followed the Barrazza anti-climax, we find Beattie in Boston on October 31, 1963. Al Alberts jousted with Jim and went out in one.

Jim's next stop was Worcester, where he halted Frank Davis in two. At Union City, N.J., Charley Lee lost to Beattie in a five round rumble.

At this point the syndicate moved Beattie into the New York area. He opened Metropolitan operations on January 24, 1964, with a two round kayo of Billy Padavone. Two knockouts of Henry Wallitsch, in four, then six, followed. On July 10, Orvin Veazey was disposed of in two, and then came the Wipperman excitement.

This year Beattie stopped Dick Greatorex in five in Boston in February. Then came the kayo over McNeeley.

All of which leads us right back to the early stages of the Beattie Story. Let us put Tiny on the witness stand.

"I arrived in the Beattie household on June 10, 1942, which makes me 23. I went to school in St. Paul and was graduated from Murray High, where I played football and basketball.

"I was more interested in boxing, which I took up at the age of 14.

"From age 16 to 19 I fought 52 amateur fights in the heavyweight class. I won 47, 32 by kayos.

"In 1962 I reached the Golden Gloves final. I blew the decision by one point to Buster Mathis, our 315 pounder from Grand Rapids, who got hurt and had to pass up the 1964 Olympics.

"Back in St. Paul I went into sterner training, and decided to turn pro," Beattie continued.

"I found me a manager, Roger Twigg, and he found me a couple of fights, with Battles and Carmichael. Roger told me that I looked like a good prospect and warned me that there would be bad nights, and days of doubt.

"'A Dempsey you aren't, as yet,' Twigg told me after the Battles and Carmichael affairs. *'But if you will examine Jack's record you will discover that he was no world beater from the start.*

"'In fact, he lost two of his first three fights and got no better than a draw in the other. He had three draws and two defeats in his first seven fights. So, if you land a loss, don't go home and decide you have had it.'

"Well, one day I got a letter from New York. A man named Schoor made me a proposition. I thought it over. Soon the correspondence became very interesting and I made up my mind. The fight business around St. Paul was not too promising. I decided to go with the syndicate, provided Schoor could satisfy Twigg.

"I have an athletic background," Beattie revealed. *"My dad, Charles, now a conductor on the Milwaukee Road, was a professional ball player and got as far as a cup of coffee with the Cardinals. My mother, Angell, of French extraction, was a top tennis player in St. Paul.*

"I have two brothers—Chuck, 26, a radio announcer and disc jockey at Liberal, Kans., and Dave, 21, who is in the Army.

"How far will I go? The next year should tell.

Beattie is a soft spoken young man. He is a realist. He is a gentleman. He may turn out to be quite a fighter.

HIGH STAKES RICKARD HAD MIDAS TOUCH

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Golcondas where they did not appear on the surface, produced a boxing era unmatched before him, and unapproached since.

Mike Jacobs was a master, in his way. But he was no Rickard, even though Tex worked a lot with Mike's financial backing.

Oddly enough, Tex never achieved total financial independence to a point at which he could muster a million of his own money. Mike could. He long had been Broadway's No. 1 theatre ticket broker.

Rickard made not only Dempsey but Jack Kearns, his manager, as well, a big chunk of gold. Jack held on to a lot of that dough. Kearns got rid of it as fast as he collected it, and ultimately broke with the Mauler on personal issues of finance.

Rickard achieved many masterpieces. But the outstanding results of his genius stood out in the Dempsey-Firpo and Dempsey-Carpentier fights.

Tex found the big, strong, hard hitting, untutored Firpo in the Argentine. He called him the Wild Bull of the Pampas. What Firpo knew about boxing could have been put into a shoe box and left room for one of Firpo's shoes.

The ballyhoo and general buildup for this fight were incredible. The public threw more than a million into the box office. Fortune was with Tex, as it so often was. The Bull belted Jack out of the ring. What might have been a hoax turned into one of the most dramatic fights in ring history.

The Carpentier affair, which, lasting a meager four rounds, two more than the Firpo diverttisement, was one of the most pronounced mismatches in the annals of heavyweight boxing.

The record books say that Carp weighed 172 pounds, against Jack's 188. It was rumored that the Orchid Man had tipped the beam at 169.

The wily and crafty Jack Curley, who handled the idol of the Boulevards of Paris, kept the press out of training sessions. He was afraid to show Carp's deficiency in pounds and power.

Georges hit Dempsey one punch, an uppercut. For this he got knocked down for nine in that last round, and then out of action, a right to the jaw decking the loser on both occasions. A right under the heart in the fourth had as much to do with the climax as the raps to the sub-maxillary.

The Dempsey-Carpentier fight ordinarily would have drawn 20,000, at most. But the ballyhoo for this alleged Battle of the Century lured 80,183 customers that muggy Saturday afternoon in July, 1921.

Rickard became a fight promoter because he happened to be in the Goldfield-Ely area of Nevada in 1906. He was operating the Northern Hotel and had an interest in a gold mine.

At a Chamber of Commerce meeting which discussed ways and means for putting Goldfield on the map, Tex proposed to promote a fight.

Battling Nelson, fishing near Salt Lake City, heard that Jack Clifford, a lightweight, was in Goldfield, challenging anybody in his weight class.

What started out to be a Nelson-Clifford fight, with Battling getting $5,000, grew into a lightweight championship battle in which Nelson picked up $23,000 and Joe got $11,000.

Rickard and three partners put up $20,000 each. The fight grossed $69,715, with no Federal tax, and was a financial and fistic success.

It was a bruising brawl, with Gans winning on a foul in the forty second round. Legend has it that $5,000,000 was wagered on the fight in Goldfield alone.

This match gave Rickard an irresistible yen for the boxing promotion business. In 1910, we find him running the Jeffries comeback effort against Jack Johnson, which grossed $270,715 in Reno, Nev. and lasted fifteen rounds, the onetime boilermaker suffering a knockout.

Now Rickard definitely was in the fight promotion business, bidding for all big matches, gambling with offers which other promoters called *"absolutely crazy."*

All the time Tex had his eye on little old New York. In time he landed there and soon he concluded that Pop Knickerbocker needed a new arena.

The result was the new Garden, which now is the obsolete Garden, about to be razed, with still another Garden going up at Penn Station.

The corporation which built the present Garden was said to include 600 Millionaires. They fitted into the new picture of boxing, with Rickard making all-out and successful efforts to draw the Best People to his presentations. Society women began to show up at the ringside.

This is not intended to be a life story of George Lewis Rickard. That would call for a lengthy book, with entries not always pointing to Rickard in the role of St. Anthony. But, by and large, he must be played up as the greatest of promoters, master of ballyhoo, the man with the Midas Touch.

It appears to be quite safe to predict that there will not be another Tex Rickard in boxing.

CLAY SAYS, "I HAVE A SECRET"

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Greenberg said that the Massachusetts Commission preferred to give top consideration to the Ring's listing of Clay as the champion, Liston as the No. 1 contender, Floyd Patterson as No. 2, Terrell No. 3, and George Chuvalo No. 4.

Greenberg cited the rules of the WBA as supporting the Massachusetts Commission. These regulations give to the champion the right to pick any boxer among the top rated four, contracts to be signed within 90 days after acquisition, or successful defense of, the world championship.

Greenberg advised the WBA to stop horsing around about forfeiting Clay's title and suspending him and Liston.

The strategic position of the WBA never has been weaker, and its lack of public respect never so pronounced.

The position of The Ring Magazine, which originated the highly important practice of rating the fighters, never has been more highly regarded and publicly acclaimed.

As the training regimen of Clay and Liston continued, it was noted that the situation was far different than the one preceding the February 1964 fight in Miami Beach.

Both the champion Clay and the challenger maintained an amazing silence. Cassius was not the Poet Laureate of the ring again. He had gone into an oral freeze, his rhymes not scanning.

Since there were no Clay outpourings to meet, no Clay statements to refute, Liston found himself in an even more pronounced vacuum than the one in which the now silent Muslim labored.

This did not irk the public. But it was not to the liking of Harold Conrad, who was beating the drum for the Inter-Continental Enterprises and the Nilon brothers.

The fighters were not contributing sufficiently to the ballyhoo. However, Conrad was not in despair. "The talking carnival will pick up in the last couple of weeks, when it will count most at the box office," he said. "I cannot believe that Muhammed will maintain his silence."

From the Clay side, the important item is that he has found a way to beat Liston.

From the Liston side this formula has yet to be arrived at, and possibly never will be. The Sunshine Boy knows that, to begin with, he has to be in condition to move around, to keep step and pace with the Kentucky Muslim.

That Boston Garden will be packed. It will be a brawl, and a good one.

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By JERSEY JONES

Remembering Joe Beckett

IT WAS Bill Shakespeare, the old bard himself, who said something about the good that men do being interred with their bones, but their evil living on.

So it has been through the years with Joe Beckett, one-time British heavyweight champion, who died recently at the age of 71 in Northampton, England.

It was Beckett and his predecessor, Bombardier Billy Wells, who were mainly responsible for the low esteem in which British heavyweights were—and, for that matter, still are—held by the American boxing public. "Horizontal" has become a more or less standard description of our large cousins across the sea. They were, and are, remembered not for their victories but for their defeats, which all too often have been by knockouts.

Not even the most elastic imagination could stretch far enough to envision Beckett as a great fighter. He wasn't. But neither was he the clumsy load of ineptitude that Yankee authorities have pictured him.

There was nothing fancy or flashy about Joe, but he was strong, willing and game, and he packed a fairly authoritative punch, particularly in a left hook. His main liability was a chin that Georges Carpentier loved to touch. It was touched twice by Gorgeous Georges' flashing right fist, and both time in a hurry, first in London in 1919, then in London again in '23. One round was all Carpentier needed on each occasion.

Until his disastrous second affair with Carpentier, Beckett had a fine record in return bouts. When he lost to an opponent the first time out, invariably he evened the score in the second episode, as he did with British rivals Harry Reeve and Frank Goddard and the touring American, Frank Moran.

Three other Yanks who lost to Beckett were veterans Dan (Porky) Flynn, Montana Dan Sullivan and Eddie McGoorty.

When former world champion Tommy Burns essayed a "comeback" in 1920, Beckett squelched his hopes by stopping him in seven rounds in London.

LEARNED BOXING THE HARD WAY

Beckett had a rugged early schooling in tossing fists. Born in Southampton of poor parents, he was not yet twelve when he was on the road with the British equivalent of a carnival troupe, hopping from town to town and fair to fair, living the free and easy but rough and hazardous life of a gypsy.

In self-defense, Joe had to learn how to handle his fists against the aggressions of town bullies and city hoodlums, as well as the kids in his own and rival caravans. It was tough schooling, indeed, but Beckett learned well and his success in these impromptu brawls prompted his decision to try his luck in the professional ring. His career spanned from 1914 until his second defeat by Carpentier.

Joe's ring activities were limited during World War I, through which he served in the British forces. Resuming full-scale ring operations at the war's close, he fought his way to the British heavyweight title. Twice he knocked out Bombardier Billy Wells in championship meetings.

Beckett was not "big" as heavyweights went—he measured only about 5 feet, 9½ inches in altitude—but his 185 pounds of beef and brawn were packed on a solid frame.

Shakespeare called it right when he commented on what happens to the "good" and the "evil" that men do. Beckett may not have been one of the ring's all-time greats, but he was a pretty fair sort of operative in his time, certainly a much better operative than boxing history has credited him with being. History, unfortunately, remembers him not for the "good", his many victories, but for the "evil," those two disastrous episodes with Georges Carpentier . . . just another "horizontal British heavyweight."

PHILADELPHIA ARENA SAFE

It seems that the Philadelphia Arena is not to become a victim of the inexorable march of progress; at least, not for a while. When it was put up for auction recently, it was felt that whoever acquired it would have it torn down and the site used for a modern apartment or office building.

But veteran sports promoter Jimmy Toppi outbid all rivals with an offer of $351,000, and he plans to keep the Arena operating as it did since its opening back in the early '20s. Along with various other attractions—basketball, hockey, ice carnivals, conventions, et al.—Toppi has fond hopes of bringing back big-time boxing there.

Jimmy has been cooperating with the local Veteran Boxers Association (Ring 1) in reviving boxing in Philadelphia. They've been starting at the bottom, encouraging local amateurs, and their shows to date in Toppi's "Blue Horizon" have been highly encouraging. As and when the youngsters progress sufficiently to warrant, they'll be turned professional.

Johnny Colan, former boxer, now a New York referee, weighs in with a complaint. In a recent feature in The Ring by Harold Valan, another ex-boxer and current referee, Colan was included in the list of former ringsters now working for Harold's towel and apron supply outfit. Johnny says it isn't so, that he never has worked for Valan. Since he quit fighting, Colan has been in the insurance business and associated with the Investors Planning Corporation at 60 East 42nd Street, New York City.

Note from John Belleau, promoting in Hull, Canada: "My small boxing club has staged two programs so far, and although it has been rough going financially, we are not giving up and will continue to promote this summer. I believe boxing is coming back here."

BOBBY NEILL'S NEW CHAMPION

A couple of years ago, in these columns, we had occasion to observe that when boxing gets into one's system, it often is incurable, and we cited the case of Bobby Neill, a former Scottish featherweight.

During his active ring career, Neill had more than a normal share of discouragements. Three times his leather-tossing activities were interrupted by serious road accidents, resulting in hospital sieges with a cracked thigh, a broken leg and a frac-

tured wrist. Another enforced vacation was caused when he had his jaw broken in a bout. Bobby refused to let these unfortunate experiences check his pugilistic ambitions, and he went on to become British featherweight champion for two years, 1959-60.

It wasn't until he lost the title, collapsed in the dressing room after the bout, and was rushed to a hospital for an emergency operation for a clot on the brain that Neill finally decided he'd had enough. He quit the ring, and got himself a good-paying job as a bank representative in the Croydon section of London. But the love of boxing was too deeply ingrained in him, and, along with his bank job, he found time to coach, train and manage a trio of young boxers just out of the amateurs. They were bantamweight Alan Rudkin of Liverpool, featherweight Frankie Taylor of Lancaster and welterweight Brian McCaffrey of Liverpool.

All three have made steady progress in professional competition, and now, at the still comparatively youthful age of 31, Bobby Neill is handling a British and Empire bantamweight champion. One of his proteges, Rudkin, recently annexed the titles by stopping Johnny Caldwell in Nottingham.

Joe Beckett, one-time British heavyweight champion, who died recently at the age of 71.

AROUND THE RING

Promoter-manager George Sheppard is back home on Long Island after a holiday jaunt to Israel with his wife. They made several stop-overs in Europe on the return jaunt. According to George, amateur boxing is popular throughout Israel, and is featured in the physical fitness schedule at the Tel-Aviv University.

Jack Larkin of Garfield, N.J., president pro-tem of the National Veteran Boxers Association, has been having more than his fill of personal worries lately. Jack had hardly recovered from a heart attack when he put in another hospital siege with a serious eye problem.

A topline lightweight during the early years of the century, Martin Canole, 82, died recently in the old home town of Fall River, Mass. During his career, which began in 1901 and ended in 1908, Canole tangled with the likes of Honey Mellody, Martin Flaherty, Jig Stone, Marty McCue, Jack O'Keefe, Danny Duane, Jimmy Britt, Battling Nelson, Willie Fitzgerald, Jimmy Gardner, Willie Lewis and Dick Nelson, and finished with a score of 28 wins (18 by k.o.), four draws, one no-decision bout and only three defeats in 36 outings, a remarkable record considering the calibre of the opposition.

Another recent obit item reported the passing of Pete DeGrasse, 57, in a New York hospital. A blend of French, Scottish, Spanish and Indian, DeGrasse came out of the St. Regis Indian Reservation, near Montreal, and in a busy career, spanning from 1928 to 1941, he covered the entire United States and most of Canada, and crowded in a total of 179 bouts as bantamweight and featherweight. Pete didn't miss many of the good 'uns in either class, his opponents including Eugene Huat, Pete Sanstol, Al Roth, Lou Salica, Mike Belloise, Varias Milling, Lew Feldman, Bobby Leitham, Frankie Wallace, Leo Rodak, Everett Rightmire, Wally Hally, Richie Fontaine, Tommy Forte, Chalky Wright and Bobby (Poison) Ivy.

NEW YORK'S RESULTS OF THE MONTH:

Making one of his infrequent appearances in ring competition, George Foster, 135, Cincinnati, but now living in Yonkers, N.Y., was credited with a quick victory at Sunnyside Garden. His scheduled eight with Genaro Soto, 135, Puerto Rico, was halted at the end of round one by Commission physician Ed Campbell because of an ugly gash under Soto's right eye. Foster also suffered a cut over his right optic, but it was not as serious as Soto's.

For the short time he was in action, Foster, National A.A.U. champion in '60 and '62, looked very good. He boxed well, and his punches packed plenty of authority. Three times he staggered Soto, and it was a jolting left hook that opened the cut under the Puerto Rican's eye.

Although fighting professionally two and a half years, it was only the eighth bout in which Foster had engaged in money competition. A promising youngster has very little opportunity to advance with that sort of limited action.

Another quick ending was registered in the semi-final when Roscoe Gregory, 139, Brooklyn, polished off Johnny Johnson, 136, Newark, N.J., with eleven seconds remaining in round one. Gregory shaped up as another fine prospect to be tabbed for the future.

Wally Henderson, 160, Jersey City, decisioned Doug Clay, 159, Harlem, in a hard-fought six, while in fours Curtis Brooks, 155, Brooklyn, whipped Danny Perez, 160, West Side; Ray Clemente, 133½, won from a fellow-Puerto Rican, Benny Huertas, 132, and M. C. Cordova, 128½, Puerto Rico, halted Joe Mazares, 128, New Brunswick, N.J., at 0:57 of the final stanza.

Attendance 950; gross receipts $2,012.49.

The details of Dick Tiger's sixth-round knockout of Juan (Rocky) Rivero in Madison Square Garden are chronicled elsewhere in these pages by Nat Fleischer.

Two of the supporting bouts also were abbreviated. Bobby Warthem, 157¾, Buffalo, was credited with stopping Larry Little, 160, Detroit, in a scheduled six when Little was not permitted to go out for the fourth. An ugly gash over the Detroiter's left eye was responsible. Next to the main event, it was the best fight of the night while it lasted, with Wartham's speed giving him a lead over the rugged aggressiveness of Little.

Another scheduled six was halted at 1:24 of the fourth when the referee decided that Billy Anderson, 137¼, Doylestown, Pa., was no match for Henry Costoso, 139, Puerto Rico.

In the semi-final six, Billy Lonergan, 147, Rosedale, L.I., scored a knockdown in winning from Russell Shoulars, 145½, Paterson, N.J., and Benny Huertas, 132, outpointed a fellow-Puerto Rican, Raul Clemente, 133, in a four.

Sure, and it wasn't a very happy St. Patrick's Eve for Irish Bob Cassidy, 157½, Levittown, L.I., the victim of a stunning upset at Sunnyside Garden, where he dropped a split decision to Ossie Marcano, 158, Puerto Rico, in a scrambling eight. Southpaw Cassidy appeared headed for a quick triumph when he dumped Marcano toward the end of the opening session, the bell clanging at the count of three. The Puerto Rican came back strongly, however, and his rallies in the closing rounds apparently swung the decision in his favor. The judges, Fred Brunelli and Johnny Dran, split the rounds, 4-4, Brunelli giving Cassidy the edge in points, 6-4, while Dran tabbed for Marcano, 6-5. The deciding vote was cast by Referee Harold Valan, who had Marcano the winner in rounds, 5-3.

It was only the second defeat for 20-year-old Cassidy in 21 outings.

In sixes, Danny Garcia, 155, Dominican Republic, decisioned Danny Andrews, 154, West Side, and Freddie DeVore, 152, Bronx, halted Luis Vinales, 152, Puerto Rico, at 1:29 of the fourth. In fours, Eddie De La Cruz, 130, Puerto Rico, drew with an island rival, Blas Viera, 126; Tony Cruz, 128, Jersey City, did likewise with M. C. Cordova, 130, Puerto Rico, and Danny Perez, 160, Puerto Rico, won from Domingo Ortiz, 158, Hoboken, N.J.

Attendance 1,193; gross receipts $2,871.49.

Tabbed as one of the better young heavyweight prospects hereabouts after beating Ray Patterson, Floyd's kid brother, in the same ring a couple of months before, Chuck Wepner, 210, Bayonne, N.J., was a disappointment against Everett Copeland, 209, Brooklyn, in a featured six at Sunnyside Garden. The decision was a draw.

The affair was a crude brawl, with even a semblance of boxing technique conspicuously absent. Sloppy aggressiveness, awkward swinging, messy clutching and occasional butting predominated.

The only noticeable damage suffered by either was a gash over Wepner's left eye, the result of a head-on collision in the fourth.

It was the second time the rivals had been unable to determine a winner at Sunnyside. A previous get-together also resulted in a stalemate.

In other sixes, Lou Hicks, 181, Harlem, whipped Frank Fudge, 178, Glen Cove, L.I.; Stanford Bulla, 173½, West Side, outfought Bob Avena, 172½, Brooklyn; Angel Torres, 136, Puerto Rico, had the better of Richard Frazer, 137, Astoria, L.I., and like Ervin, 136, Bayonne, N.J., seemed to deserve better than a draw with Bolo Martinez, 140½, Dominican Republic. Bob Stallings, 197½, Freeport, L.I., outclassed Pat Lewes, 203, Harlem, in the opening four.

The turnout was as much of a disappointment as the main event. The attendance was a scant 786, contributing $1,884.81 to the box-office.

Accounts of Jose Torres' destruction of Willie Pastrano and Emile Griffith's decision over Jose Stable in the double-header championship card in Madison Square Garden are reported by Dan Daniel and Nat Loubet, respectively, elsewhere in this issue.

To keep the early arriving customers entertained while awaiting the main doings, four preliminary bouts were offered, featuring boys who had become regular performers at the Garden's "farm club." Sunnyside Garden. Each bout was scheduled for four rounds, but two were abbreviated by knockouts. In one, Ulysses Jiminez, 139¾, Puerto Rico, accounted for the fastest win of the night. He needed only 1:53 of one round to polish off a rival islander, Nelson Cuevas, 140.

The other k.o. was posted by Blas Viera, 126, another Puerto Rican, who disposed of Pete Spanakos, 126, a Brooklyn Greek, at 0:33 of the third. The bout was halted by the referee when Spanakos was reeling unsteadily on his feet.

In the other pairings, M. C. Cordova, 129½, Puerto Rico, was a bit too shifty for Tony Cruz, 129¾, Jersey City, and Don Sprague, 147, Boston, evened the score with Juan Ramos, 145½, Puerto Rico, for a defeat the latter had tossed into him at Sunnyside six weeks before.

It was one of the longest professional boxing programs ever scheduled in the Garden. It began at 8:30 p.m., and had every bout gone its full distance, it would have been past midnight before the 46 rounds would have been completed. As it was, the three knockouts—two in the prelims and the other in the Torres-Pastrano debacle—enabled the clients to start wending their way out at 11:30.

ON THE STRIP
By Rich Howard

Las Vegas, Nev.: Bill Miller, unable to put Gene "Honeybear" Bryant in with Don Fullmer because of the burned finger suffered recently by Bryant, matched the Utah fighter with local middleweight Ferd Hernandez. Ferd had run up a string of 14 straight wins in local bouts and boasted an overall 20-2 record. The two met in one of the Strip "Fights of the Week."

Fullmer came to town with three-out-of-four, 33 wins against 11 losses, with two draws. He took charge at the opening bell. His tactic was to move forward, punching forcefully, letting nothing stop him. The strategy worked.

In the eighth round Hernandez opened a cut over Fullmer's left eye. When it was all over, Fullmer was the unanimous winner. He weighed 163, Hernandez 162. Hernandez's display was creditable.

The six-round semi was a fireball. Frank Jennings, 148, of Los Angeles, met Cecil Mott, 150, of Henderson, and the two fighters took turns exploding bombs at each other. They staggered each other several times. For sheer stamina, these two were the stars of the card.

Jennings was declared the winner by one-point margins on two of the cards, while the third had it a draw.

Johnny Brooks, 141, of Henderson, a young man possessed of a dangerous left hook, tried to use that punch to knock out Jorge Rivera, 140, of Los Angeles, but found out his right was just as adequate in this particular instance. Brooks dropped Rivera with a short right. The Angeleno made it back to his feet but was too groggy to go on, and Referee Nate Morgan halted the battle, in thirty seconds of round two.

Las Vegan Joey Aguilar, 128, was pitted against Fidel Cruz, 129, of L. A., in a rematch of their January 4 battle that had Aguilar winning in six. This time, in a five-rounder Joey took every round.

▸ Having recently put on a card to aid the Heart Fund, Bill Miller and Burt Hoffman are planning a show for the nearby industrial city of Henderson, Nevada, proceeds to go to the Henderson Boys Club. It will be the first professional card ever held in that boxing-conscious community.

▸ Tevel Holman, the San Diego middleweight who knocked out ten of the sixteen men he has beaten, made his Las Vegas debut in the "Fight of the Week's" main event. His opponent was Fred McWilliams, a tall, lean ringman from Phoenix.

McWilliams, with a good height and reach advantage, managed for awhile to keep the hard-punching Californian away from his with a loose left jab, but as the bout progressed Tevel managed to find ways of slipping inside the barrier and scored points of his own.

In the seventh and again in the ninth, Holman stormed past McWilliams' guard to bloody the tall man's nose. When the end came, they were tied up in a wrestling clinch and tumbling through the ropes.

One vote went for Holman by one point; another for McWilliams by two; the third had it even—and that's the way it stayed: A draw. Holman weighed 160, McWilliams 155½.

The six-round semi debutted Jimmy Evans, two-time Nevada state amateur champion, making his pro debut. Winner of 80 out of 81 intercollegiate bouts, the Reno lad, at 169, got off to a slow start against Ken Payne, 167, of Los Angeles. Evans loosened up in the fifth round and let go with some solid shots to the head that shortly opened a mean gash under Payne's left eyebrow. Referee Irving Marcus stopped the battle at 1:34 of the fifth.

Johnny Lattimore, 127, of Los Angeles, who stands an inch under five feet, was being solidly laced by Davey Pearson, 126, of Phoenix, until Lattimore stormed out in round four and dropped him twice, the second time for good. The time was 1:32.

The opener was a five-round footrace between Manuel "Speedy" Gullat, 136, of Carson City, and Ken Garrett, 137, L.A., with Gullat the victor. It was Gullat's second fight, second win.

▸ The Nevada Commission announced that its experimental scoring arrangement—using three ringside judges and eliminating the referee's vote—will be permanent.

▸ Davey Patterson, the lean, fast Nevada State lightweight champion, defended his title in a 12-rounder against Johnny Brooks, of Henderson, in what would have been a much better fight had it not been for a pair of hand injuries.

Patterson, of Las Vegas, came in at 134½ against Brooks' 135 pounds. The bout was close up to the final seconds of round six. Then Brooks caught the champion with a short, crushing right to the temple and Patterson went down. Brooks started to a neutral corner and the referee started toward Patterson to pick up the count. Just then the bell sounded ending the round. No count had been started inside the ring prior to the bell, and Referee Nate Morgan did not begin a toll after the bell.

Brooks had driven his right hand through the glove lining when he knocked the titleholder down, and suffered a bone bruise. This, coupled with the fact that he had broken a cartilage in his left hand in an earlier round, gave his opponent a considerable edge throughout the remaining half of the fight. Patterson, having recovered from the knockdown, went on to win the decision.

The 8-round semi featured Cecil Mott, of Las Vegas, 147½, against Bernie "Golden Boy" Magallanes, Los Angeles, 144. This was a blistering battle from start to finish. Mott, with his defensive style, earned most of his points for counterpunching and boxing ability, while Magallanes picked up his credit with determination and power. The judges gave a draw decision.

In the opening five, Paul Henningston, 156, of St. Louis, came on strong in the first round against Fred Starr, 151, Las Vegas, then weakened. Starr was bombarding him at will when the referee stopped it after a minute and 32 seconds in round three.

▸ The "Scappoose Express"—light heavyweight Andy Kendall (175½), of Portland, Oregon—roared into Las Vegas for a third time, and again managed to stay on the winning track by scoring a knockout in 1:09 of round two.

Kendall's opponent, Roque "Rocky" Proano (175), of Tucson, had no defense against the boring-in style of the Oregon slugger.

Kendall has an 18-1 record with nine knockouts. He hasn't lost in more than two years.

A ten-round co-feature saw Ferd Hernandez (162), back in action for the first time since Don Fullmer snapped his win streak at fourteen, against Nick Acevedo (163½), from Phoenix. Ferd fought his usual determined battle, boxing well and connecting often with shots to the head. The bout went the limit. The nod for Hernandez was unanimous three ways.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

Promoter Edward Weaver presented his 4th Tidewater presentation at the Norfolk City Arena, before a slim-paying attendance, 638 customers. In the feature bout, scheduled for 10 rounds, Bobby Foster, 176½, Washington, D.C., found little opposition from Dave Russell, 179, Uniondale, N. J. Foster used Russell for a punching bag. Your writer, handling the referee chores, stopped the bout in 1:30 of the 6th round. This bout gave Foster, 19 K.O. wins, out of 25 professional bouts.

The 8 round semi-windup, between Bradford Silas, 142, Washington, and J. D. Ellis, 140, Trenton, N. J., gave the fans more pleasing action. The bout started as though it was going to be an easy victory for Silas, when he clipped Ellis with a terrific left hook, in the opening round, and had the veteran on "uneasy street."

In the 6th round, Ellis dropped Silas for an 8 count, but Silas came up swinging and floored Ellis with a right cross to the jaw in the 8th. Silas was awarded a close decision.

David Ryan, 150, Washington, D.C., won an unanimous decision over Billy (Tank) Hill, 152, Baltimore, in a six-rounder. The decision was unanimous but Hill supplied more opposition than the judges' verdict indicated.

Edwin Perry, 168, Washington, D.C., subbing for Harold Heffernan, stopped Joe Moore, 168, Baldwin, Long Island, in 1:49 of the second round.

▸ It is your writers humble opinion, that to have possible successful promotions in this area. A boxing equipped gymnasium, properly supervised, is an absolute necessity. How can a promoter sell fights, if he hasn't fighters to sell?? The gym is the manufacturing plant. Did you ever hear of a man opening a grocery store, and not having any grocery to sell???

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IN ARKANSAS
By Jim Bailey

Little Rock, Ark.—After a four-year lapse, professional boxing returned to Arkansas with Memphis middleweight Ernie Burford heading a card at Blytheville.

Burford 159, scored a lopsided 10-round decision over Bill Belchia, 165, Toledo, O. It was Burford's third win over the Toledo fighter, and the first time Belchia lasted the distance.

Burford regarded the Blytheville bout as a tune-up for a possible non-title fight with Joey Giardello, who decisioned Ernie two years ago at Philadelphia.

The prelims: Raymond Vega, 175, West Memphis, won a split six-round decision over Buddy Chandler, 186, Blytheville, in the best fight of the night. Tommy Davis, 135, Memphis, opened the show with a three-round decision over Andy Rudd, 135, Memphis, and closed it with a three-round nod over Tommy Toles, 134, Chicago. Al Jones, 196, St. Louis, kayoed Bobby Joe Rapier, 244, New York, in 2:34 of the first.

BOXING IN THE MARITIMES

'Rocky' MacDougall, 125, Sydney, the Maritimes new sensation took a step closer to Dave Hilton's Dominion title as he took a 10 round decision over Gil Boulay, 123, Quebec City. MacDougall, a winner of all but two of his 14 fights was in command all the way.

In the semi-final set for six rounds, Bobo Bonaparte, 167, Sydney, outslugged Don Sampson, 156, Sydney River, and stopped his man midway through the fourth.

In fours: Ronnie Sampson, 143, Sydney, made short work of Johnny Dixon, 139, New Waterford, stopping Dixon in one.

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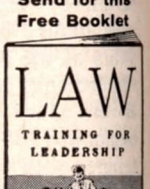

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FISTIC FEATURES IN FLORIDA

By Hank Kaplan

FERNANDEZ STOPS RECKLEY IN FIRST AT MIAMI BEACH

Angling for a second shot at the middleweight crown, Florentino Fernandez, 163, Miami, disposed of Nassau Middleweight champion Bobo Reckley, 160, in 2.56 of the first round in the Miami Beach Auditorium.

After evading the Cuban pulverizer for the first two minutes with a steady left jab, Bobo crumbled to his knees after stopping a short left hook with his nose. He took the mandatory eight count, then, he ran into another hook and hugged the canvas for the next ten seconds. This was Florentino's third straight KO and fifteenth KO in his most recent 17 fights.

Three 8 rounders pillared the weak headliner. Rory O'Shea, Chicago, 152, decisioned Linnis Johnson, 155½, Miami, with Rory's defensive cuteness salvaging the one-sided contest. Still undefeated, Rory needs to beef up his attack.

In the second eight, Orlando Ruiz, Maracaibo, 136, decisioned Matt Sheffield, Eustis, 138, in a tame contest, with Manuel Alfaro's protege returning to the win column.

In the final eight rounder, best fight of the night, Eddie Linder, Miami, 124, a boxing gem, undefeated in 16 fights, with 6 draws, held Carol Mendoza, Managua, 130, even. Mendoza now checks in with a 22-1-2 record.

◗ Willie Pep bore 2 facial cuts, one angry looking, as he bounced out of the ring after an eight round decision over Harold McKeever, Fort Lauderdale, at Little River. It was in the second phase of Pep's comeback timetable. The former featherweight champ, whose ring exploits gained him a niche in the Hall Of Fame, first captured the title in the neighborbood of McKeever's birthdate. He is 43 years old and might well stick to refereeing.

At 139, Pep was six pounds heavier than his opponent.

The two judges had Pep 78-75 and 78-77, and Referee Eddie Eckert made Pep the winner with 80-74. Pep's friends would prefer to see Willie retire.

In the 6 round semi-final, Mike Mamarelli, Pittsburgh, 127, knocked out Mike Manti, Miami, 127, in round two.

In another sixer, Jerry Powers, Miami, 129, in his ninth contest this year, outpointed Jack Stringer, Miami, 127.

In fours, Larry Adkins, Cincinnati, 145, decisioned Butch Jackson, 150, Miami, for his third straight as a pro, and George Sawyer, Miami, 137, upset Omar Leon, Maracaibo, 141, with a split duke.

Little River Auditorium—Making his first start of 1965, following an extended family visit to Maracaibo, Venezuela, unbeaten Orlando Ruiz, 136, made it 12 straight by punishing Grady McLendon, 138, a Dublin, Ga. throughout 8 rounds at Little River. In a virtual a carbon-copy of their previous performance, Ruiz methodically left-jabbed his way to victory.

In the six round semi-final, Eddie Fobbs, 151, Fort Lauderdale, outboxed southpaw Freddy Wilson, 155, Perrine, to a decision.

Butch Jackson, 149, clever Miami newcomer, stopped Roscoe Bell, 142, from Eustis, in 3 rounds due to a cut above the eye.

In a 4 round fight, Omar Leon, 137, Maracaibo, Manuel Alfaro's latest entry into the pro ranks, outpointed promising Matt Sheffield, 139, Eustis, who looked good despite losing his debut.

In a 4 round hair-raiser, comebacker Santos Flores, 127, Puerto Rico, outpointed Sandy Seabrooke, 130, Jacksonville, in a squeaker.

◗ **Pan American Arena**—Another amateur boxing show promoted by Tony Dundee, local health club operator, at the Pan American Arena, pointed up the acute shortage of youngsters with a willingness to work for medals. Able to arrange only 4 bouts, Tony resourcefully engineered 2 exhibition bouts between pros.

In pro exhibitions of 4 rounds each, Larry Adkins, 147, new Cincinnati Flash, and Frank Hollaway, 141, and James Lee, 139, Miami, and Butch Jackson, 150, Miami, boxed **spiced** up the Show.

◗ **Miami Beach Auditorium**—Arising from an 18 month layoff, with peak condition not yet achieved, puffed-up Argentine Rodolfo Diaz, 192, punctured the rising balloon of Levi Forte, 188, Eufalia, Alabama, in round 5. The Alabama boy traded punches with Diaz for the first three rounds.

Early in the third round, Forte survived an 8 count knockdown. After firing his big guns at the Pampas body attacker, Levi had little left and Dr. Alexander Robbins prevented the emergence of Forte for the 5th round.

In a sparkling undercard, Jackie Richmond, Chicago, 129½, unbeaten in 4 starts, discarded the handicap of weight and experience as he halted the 12 bout winning skien of Orlando Ruiz, Maracaibo, 136, with an 8 round unanimous points victory. Richmond connected with left hooks to the head and body of his adversary, who experienced his first loss as a pro and only his 3rd loss in 70 fights as amateur and pro combined.

In another 8 rounder, Felix Fernandez, Santo Domingo, 132, outscored Harold McKeever, Fort Lauderdale, 133.

Former featherweight king Willie Pep lands a sharp left to the head of Hal McKeever in the third round of a comeback appearance at Miami Beach. Pep won the eight-rounder via a unanimous decision but suffered two cuts.

In a 4 round bout, Jerry Locker, Dade Junior College student, 162, scored his fifth straight K.O. as he stopped Charley Lasure, Detroit, 165, on a third round TKO.

◗ **Miami Beach Auditorium**—After 24 pro bouts without a loss, with but one draw, Mel "Stormy" Winters, 151, Macon, lost to Art Hernandez, 158, from Omaha, on a 8th round TKO. The clever Nebraskan dropped the former Georgia roofer in round 4 and continued the battering until trainer Angelo Dundee signalled the halt while awaiting the bell for round 8.

An eye-opening upset was seen in the first round of the semi-final when Willie Johnson, 200, Deerfield Beach, connected with a short left hook on the chin of Duke Johnson, 194½, Redbank, N. J., toppling him for the 8 count. In the second round, the Duke, unbeaten in 15 local contests, was sent to his corner by the referee who stopped the bout.

In a six-rounder, Nicaraguan, Carol Mendoza, 129, beat Grady McLendon, Dublin, 133, on points. Mendoza is 22-1-1.

In 4 round bouts, Omar Leon, Maracaibo, 143, and Matt Sheffield, Eustis, 141, drew while Rocky Marciano's protege, Billy Marquart, Chicago, 188, took a split duke over Isaac Grubbs, Miami, 191. Marciano, Willie Pep, Dan Florio and Jack Hurley were in attendance at Chris Dundee's promotion in the Miami Beach Auditorium.

◗ **Little River Auditorium** — Exposure of Jerry Locker, formerly of Utah, in Neil Composto's Little River Auditorium as a main-eventer, was justified if the dispatch with which he obliterated Ritchie Smith, 165, Nassau, is considered. The Dade Junior College student, now of Miami, after leading in the first two rounds, showed punching prowess in the third when a perfectly executed left hook felled his opponent for the 8 count. Locker, 160, followed this advantage and referee Cy Gottfried saved Smith from further damage. This bout marked the 6th straight K.O. for the Ring Magazine "prospect" of last February.

In the semi-final, Larry Adkins, 143, Cincinnati, won a unanimous 6 round decision over Butch Jackson, 146, Miami.

In another six, Willie Taylor, 163, Miami, scored over Lou Howard, 165, Miami. In 4 round bouts, Tommy Hunt, 199, piled enough leather on Al Johnson, 188, to produce a 3rd round TKO, and Frank Curry, 154, stopped Roelif Brooks, 157, in 2 rounds.

◗ Amateur boxing at the Pan American Arena, promoted by Tony Dundee continues despite a low yield at the gate.

MIAMI SIDELIGHTS—Three bouts were contested at the ill-fated dinner boxing show presented by Al King in Clearwater's Jack Tar Harrison Hotel before Ray Robinson's refusal to strut his stuff.

Jerry Powers, Miami, beat George Sawyer, Miami, in a lightweight bout of 6 rounds.

Jack McLain, Miami, was a TKO victim of Pete Fernandez, Tampa in the second round of middleweight contest.

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PENNSYLVANIA

By Johnny Bizzarro

Don Elbaum, the traveling promoter and matchmaker, is the only one keeping boxing alive in this area. Don, my advisor, hopes to have at least two fights a week going in the near future.

The Erie promoter, who is expanding his boxing business has joined Sol Gold opening a branch office in New York City.

Don is responsible for bringing up some of the finest prospects in the country. He ran four shows last month.

Erie—This writer returned to the ring after nearly six months of idleness, and weighing 133, handed game and tough Jackie Lennon a TKO defeat in the eighth round.

Lennon, a rugged walk-in slugger, was made to order for me. I kept my left hand in the face of the 133½ pound opponent through most of the fight. He was bleeding from two cuts and the referee stopped the fight at the end of the seventh round.

Gene Toran, 132, won a split decision over Norman Springs of Cincinnati, 128, in the eight round semi-final. Toran, behind on points, came on in the last two rounds to win the fight. The final bell found both fighters standing toe-to-toe.

▸ Two good looking prospects, Steve Applebury, 154, of Cincinnati and Ronnie Edwards, 157, of Toronto, fought in the top four rounder. Edwards dropped Applebury in the first round but Applebury came back and dropped Ronnie in the third round. Edwards got up but the referee stopped the fight in 2:49 of the fourth. It was the fight of the night.

The opening four saw brother Lou Bizzarro, 138½, win a unanimous decision over Kenny Rose, 138½, of Pittsburgh. This was Lou's third straight win.

A crowd of 730 paid $2104.50. The fans braved one of the worst snow storms of the year to see the fight.

▸ **Johnstown**—One week later, I was back in the ring against Tommy Tibbs for the third time. This fight was 12 rounds and for my North American Jr. lightweight title.

The worst snow storm of the year in this city did not stop 2,203 fans from paying $6,535 to see the first fight show in this city in 11 years.

Tommy and I had split our two previous fights but this one was the easiest yet. It was a tough fight for seven rounds with Tibbs coming on strong, but I refused to fight his fight. From the eighth round on, I moved in and out and won every round from then on. The last two rounds found Tommy and I standing toe-to-toe and the fans went wild.

The officials scored the fight 59-49; 59-50 and 57-51 for the winner.

There was a big upset in the eight round semi-final. Rudy Richardson, 138 a last minute substitute upset Billy Backus, 134, of Syracuse, in a wild fight. Billy, being handled by his uncle, Carmen Basilio, battered Rudy all over the ring in the first two rounds but the tough Richardson came back and won five of the last six rounds.

Carmen Basilio, the former great welterweight and middleweight champion, boxed a four round exhibition with Jack Rodgers of Uniontown. "Rodgers is one of the best looking prospects around," said Basilio. "He moves good and he is a good puncher. Both fighters went at it in the last round to the delight of the fans."

Jimmy Red Parsons, the power punching Pittsburgh lightweight prospect, continued his winning ways when he KO'd substitute Barry Pritt of Uniontown in :59 of the second round.

The opening four rounder had Lou Bizzarro, my 18 year old brother, defeat Kenny Rose of Pittsburgh in a return fight. Bizzarro took every round. The game Pittsburgh lightweight came in at 139 pounds.

▸ **Zanesville, Ohio**—up-and-coming Doug Agin, the hard hitting local lightweight handed game and tough Rudy Richardson of Pittsburgh his second loss.

Doug who has a streak of 14 straight, had defeated Rudy last September in a close fight in Steubenville, but this time there was no doubt about the winner. Richardson tried to put Rudy out of the picture but Rudy, game as they come, stayed with Agin most of the fight. Doug weighed in at 134 while Richardson was 136.

Tommy Russell, 150, of Zanesville, and Tommy Alexander of Boston, tore the house apart with their toe-to-toe slugfest. The decision going to Russell.

John Bauer, another local Zanesville slugger scored his second straight one round KO when he put substitute Robert Ryan out of the picture with a two-fisted attack.

Classy Jack Rodgers of Uniontown, made it four straight KO's. He put the lights out on game Tommy Simms of Boston in :25 of the third round.

The opening four saw a new heavyweight, Jim Breneman of Newark, Ohio, make his pro debut with a sensational four round KO over Flea Jones of Uniontown. Jones battered Breneman for three rounds but the tough and rough newcomer landed some telling punches which took their toll and put Jones out in the fourth round before a cheering crowd of 690 fans who paid, $1,700.

▸ **Steubenville**—Two days after Zanesville, Don Elbaum was in town and a near capacity crowd of 1,000 fans paid $2,065 to watch Cowboy Billy Smith defend his North American Flyweight title with a sensational seven round TKO over game Rodger Frechette of Lowell, Mass.

Both fighters, weighing 112 pounds, battled from the opening bell and Smith's win made it 16-1 with 10 KO's to his credit.

An upset took place in the semi-final when Gene Young of Moundsville, W. Vir., defeated game Tommy Fix. Weighing 124 to 118, Young had command of the fight from the start when he cut Tommy's eye in the first round an blood flowed every round after that.

Dick Wipperman, the 210 pound Jewish heavyweight from Buffalo, had little trouble knocking out Sonny Burns of Boston in the third round. It was all Wipperman, who dropped Burns four times.

In the opening four, Jimmy "Red" Parsons made it four straight, three by KOs, when he put the lights out on Bobby Conners, a 142 pounder from Boston in :50 of the first round.

▸ Those wanting action in these parts contact Don Elbaum at 1102 State St., Erie, Pa.

UPSTATE NEW YORK

By Charles Keese

Here are the results of the Niagara District Golden Gloves held at Buffalo. The boxing fans of the Buffalo area packed the arena each night, proving that boxing is not dead in upstate, although there are no professional shows.

"Mr. Amateur Boxing" of upstate New York, Monsignor Kelliher, and his staff did a wonderful job sponsoring the Gloves. The winners in the Open Class went to Kansas City to represent the Niagara District.

OPEN CLASS

112—Walter Henry, Orillia, Ontario, decisioned Paul Wielopolski, Buffalo. Walter was the Canadian Amateur Champion and fought in the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo.

118—Levi Robertson, Buffalo, outpointed Lavern Stevens, Lantons. Levi, is 1964 112-Open Champ, and Lavern was 112-Novice Champ.

126—Francisco "Chitto" Negrin, Lackawanna, out fought Darrial Bland, Buffalo. Chitto, 1964-118 Novice Champion, is improving.

135—Julio Mandell, Toronto, decisioned Billy Anderson, St. Catherines, Ontario.

147—John Lapadula, Toronto, decisioned Bernard Guindon, Oshawa, Ontario.

160—Dave Mathews, Niagara Falls, outpointed Vince Woods, Buffalo. Mathews is a scrappy fighter.

175—Frank Bullard, Toronto, won over Matt Gully, Niagara Falls.

HEAVYWEIGHT—Heinz Limpert, Kitchener, Ontario, outfought Jim Howard, Batavia. Heinz was 1964 Open-Heavyweight champ of Niagara District. He was Canada's heavyweight Olympic champ, but didn't go to Japan because Canada did not send a full team.

▸ There were no professional boxing shows in Upstate New York during the past few months. Here are a few News items:

Tony Romano, Rochester's hard punching middleweight, is back in training after a bout with illness.

▸ Frank Verna, who has been handling fighters for 15 years, has a very good looking Welterweight, Willie Boyd of Rochester. Willie reached the Quarter-finals of the 1964 Golden Glove Nationals in Louisville.

▸ Tony LaBarbara, Buffalo's crowd pleasing lightweight of a year and a half ago, is training again and may make a comeback.

▸ Dick Wipperman, Buffalo heavyweight who lost to Henry Cooper in England after having Cooper cut up, is training and his manager, Bernie Blacher, hopes to have his heavyweight in action soon.

The Buffalo Veteran Boxers Association is having its annual banquet at Hotel Buffalo on May 22. The **OFFICERS** are: Jim Harkins—President; Art (Chip) Davis—Vice President; Anse Carroll—Secretary; and Lou Scozza—Treasurer.

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IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

WORCESTER—Mechanic's Hall—Promising Ted Whitfield, 143, Amherst, belabored Bolo Martinez, 140, Dominican Republic, so badly the latter was unable to answer the bell for the third round. The second round of their scheduled eight rounder had hardly started when a solid right spilled Martinez for the only knockdown of the bout.

The eight round co-feature didn't last as long as Lloyd Marshall, 139, Paterson, N. J., stopped Len Thomas, 143, Newark, N.J., in 1:58 of the second round with a body barrage. Mike Ryan, 146, Lowell, halted Manuel Gonzales, 150, New York, in the fourth round when the latter suffered a deep cut over his right eye.

Fred Jackson, 139, Brooklyn, decisioned Nelson Carbazza, 140, New York, in a four rounder.

The opener of four rounds proved to be a comedy match as Tony Vickers, 118, Worcester, and Baby Ortiz, 122, New York, did more missing than landing in the pro debut of both scrappers. The winner was the local boy.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Ted Whitfield, 144, Amherst, took his biggest step forward as he won a unanimous eight round decision over New England welterweight champion Dick French, 148, Providence.

The faster punching Whitfield got off to a lead in the first three rounds as he landed with fast combinations. French continued to press forward and in the fourth, fifth, and sixth turned the tide as he slowed Whitfield down with a body attack.

Eddie Owens, 164, Holyoke, won over Tony Romano, 164, Rochester, N. Y., in the six round semi-final. The decision was split. Eddie Spence, 161½, Pittsfield, won by a TKO in the third round when Tony Diamond, 167, Newark, N.J., quit.

Jimmy McDermott, 163, Holyoke, put Sam Johnson, 163, Paterson, N.J., to sleep with a right hand in the second round. Mike Ryan, 144, Lowell, stopped Eddie Pimentel, 138, New York, who was unable to come out for the third round.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Lloyd Marshall, 135, Paterson, N.J., tried to kayo Jerome Brewer, 135, Baltimore, Md., with his first punch. He failed but he put the Maryland lad onto his bicycle until he found that he could take Marshall's punch. He then mixed it with the hard hitting, but Marshall and had the better of the exchanges. Brewer's rally came too late and he lost the unanimous decision by a very narrow margin.

Eddie Spence, 162, Pittsfield, earned more friends in his losing venture with Monnie (Kid) McCoy, 162, Baltimore, in the six round semi-final. Twice Spence was dropped and he took a pasting but he came back battling each time.

Mike Ryan, 147, Lowell, and Charlie Hyman, 147½, Baltimore, battled to a draw in six rounds. Eddie Owens, 167, Holyoke, won a well earned six round decision over Vardell McCann, 162, Washington, D C.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Unbeaten Ted Whitfield, 145, Amherst, rang up his 11th victory as he gained a five round TKO over Young Joe Walcott, 150, Bridgeton, N.J.

Irish Al Kivlin, 164½, Cambridge, won a six round split decision over Nat Thompson, 159, New York, in a rough, hard-hitting bout. Eddie Spence, 160, Pittsfield, toyed with inept Angel Morales, 153, New York, until he kayoed him in the fourth round with a right to the ear.

Doug Charles, 142½, New York, spoiled the comeback of Sammy (Cooley) Campbell, 139, Boston, by knocking him out in the first round. Blas Viera, 122, New York, disposed of Tony Bickers, 119, Worcester, with a left hook to the body in the first round of the four round opener.

NEW JERSEY BOXING
By George Larkin

With the return of boxing to the Garden State, Joey Archer, leading middleweight contender, got the nod over Johnny Torres, Paterson, N.J., causing a minor riot. Neither the crowd of over 1,800 nor Archer's rival was convinced of the New Yorker's right to the nod given to him by Referee Harold Valan. In Jersey the referee gives the decision, there are no judges. Archer, who obviously had a bad night, nevertheless paid tribute to Torres when he said, 'I underrated Torres, he's a darn good fighter." Torres who had Archer down in the tenth for no count with a left hook-right hand combination said, "I thought I won it easy." The likeable Puerto Rican transplant also stated that he wanted to win so badly for his good friend, Jose Torres, light heavyweight contender who worked in his corner. Referee Valan scored it 6-4 for Archer, we had it 5-4-1 even for Archer. The throng which produced a gate of $5,400, witnessed the following prelims at the Market Street Armory, Paterson:

Julio Veja, 158, New York, decisioned Sam Johnson, 162, Paterson, 4 rounds; Mel Turnbow, 206, Paterson, decisioned Troy Durant, 192, Paterson, 4 rounds; Wally Henderson, 163, Jersey City, drew with Curtis Primus, 169½, Paterson, 4 rounds; Clay Thomas, 182, Paterson, decisioned Sam Jordan, 181, Union City, 6 rounds; King David, 140, Israel, decisioned Angel Rivera, 132, Brooklyn, 6 rounds and Danny Garcia, 160, Puerto Rico, decisioned Andy Hamilton, 161, Paterson, 4 rounds.

OHIO BOXING NEWS
By Eddie Schauer

Despite near-blizzard weather conditions, 730 dyed-in-the-wool fight fans turned out to see Johnny Bizzarro rake Philadelphia cab driver, Jackie Lennon, from stem to stern for seven rounds before the ring doctor called a halt to the bombardment. Bizzarro, at 133 pounds, was sharp as a cactus needle and completely bewildered Lennon. From the opening bell, Johnny was in complete command, rocking Lennon with sharp rights and lefts. By the seventh round the Quaker city lad had cuts on his forehead and his nose spurted gore and Dr. John Mannarelli mercifully called a halt to the proceedings after the seventh round had ended. The thoroughly drubbed Lennon weighed 133½ to the local boxer's 133.

On the undercard Gene Toran, 132, of Erie was hard pressed to gain the duke over Norman Springs, 138, of Cincinnati in ten rounds. Inexperienced Springs is a comer. Steve Applebury, 154, of Cincinnati stopped Ronnie Edwards, 157, of Toronto in 2:49 of the 4th rd. Lou Bizzarro, 138, of Erie won over Kenny Rose, 138, of Pittsburg in a 4.

▸ As we pen this the drums are beating for what promises to be a real wing-dinger of a card at Steubenville, Ohio. Flyweight Cowboy Smith lined up to go twelve rounds with Rodger Frechett co-featured with bantamweights Tommy Fix and Ray Jutras, who are also billed for twelve canto's. This promises to be a couple of wars.

▸ William P. Dailey, who campaigned as a welterweight more than 30 years ago under the name of K.O. Dailey, passed away Feb. 2 at the Lutheran Hospital in Cleveland. Dailey fought out of Alliance, Ohio, and was known as a trainer and promoter also.

Another ol' timer, who left us recently, was Johnny Metrick of Cleveland. Metrick was a ex-boxer, who was also spar-mate and helped train Johnny Risko when the Rubber Man was a heavyweight contender. He was a member of the Old-time Boxers Assn. in Cleveland.

▸ Happier news—Billy Hirsch, one-time Ohio middleweight champion, was recently inducted into the Jewish Center's Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. Hirsch, who is now a successful investment broker in Houston, Texas, was honored at a dinner where 300 paid tribute to the ex-boxer. Billy fought Harry Greb for the world's middleweight title in Steubenville back in 1924.

▸ **Buckeye Bits and Bites:** The next time you managers and ol' timers mourn for the good ol' days, remember that "all was not gold" then either. For an instance, take the case of Joe Glick, one time crack lightweight, who flivvered into Cleveland from New York back in the 30's to engage Joey Spiegal in a ten-rounder. Glick collected a trimming from the young southpaw that evening for the grand purse of $36.19. Winner Spiegal's end of the tilt came to $28.95, but he didn't have to drive all the way from New York and back. The undercard boys made $5.79 each with low man Joe Madden from New Jersey picking up $2.90 for getting K.O.ed by Ernie Wright . . . and the writeups following the fights state **"The boys battled like bearcats from gong to gong."** . . . Friend George Sheppard, long time fixture in the fight biz, writes that he is enjoying his trip in Israel. . . . Glad to hear from Joe Netro that his foot has healed, must have been that Florida sun dust. . . . Word is out that Pete Radamacher has given up on shows in Akron Area. Notice that Pete has new address.

Cincinnati seems to be the focal point of several promoters with big plans. However, the shows never seem to materialize. All talk and no action. . . . Busiest boxing spot in Ohio is Steubenville where Buff Alton and Don Elbaum keep the interest going. Buff is a real fight buff, believe me.

Fate Davis, Akron's promising welterweight is now under the management of J. P. Killinger. One of the most promising amateurs in the state is Lyle Randolf of Akron.

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MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Pop Andy Brown

Detroit's Taylor "Hawk" Hill, trying to get revenge for a previous lost to Toronto's Jim Meullieur, had to settle for a draw in Sarnia, Ont., Canada.

Sorry to hear about the death of Jack Waling, Waling, 75 years old, could be called the father of boxing in this area. His boxing sons were Edgor, Edwin, Tom, and Victor. Edwin, the twin of Edgor, won the National A.A.U. lightweight title in 1934.

Irish David McCann is our latest welter hope; St. Marks men's club had it's first annual sports banquet and among the guests were Ron Harris, bronze medal winner of the olympic boxing team. Sonny Banks, Michigan heavyweight champ. Billy Bruton ex-Tiger player, Dick Night and Train Lane.

Things are looking up in the boxing biz here, Nick Londis is active again.

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BARGAIN BILLS

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their contracts, however, and against strong opposition. Lightweight Freddie Welsh whipped Frankie Whitney and Featherweight Johnny Kilbane trounced Harry Donahue.

THE NEW ORLEANS CARNIVAL

Although the bouts were not held on the same date, one of the most historic clouting carnivals in boxing annals was the three-fight championship series staged on successive days at the Olympic Club in New Orleans on September 5, 6 and 7, 1892.

The first match, for the American lightweight title, pitted champion Jack McAuliffe against Billy Myer. McAuliffe retained the laurels by stopping Myer in the fifteenth round.

With all the excitement going on these days over "civil rights" and "color lines", in the "solid south" of the U.S.A., it is significant that the next match in the New Orleans carnival was a "mixed" bout between George Dixon, a Negro, and Jack Skelly for the world featherweight championship, held by Dixon.

Another interesting note associated with that match was that it was Skelly's first professional bout. Skelly, a prominent amateur out of the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, so completely dominated the simon-pure competition that he was prevaled upon to turn professional and fight for the world title.

Dixon, one of the ring's all-time greats, was too experienced for Skelly, however, and stopped him in the eighth round.

The grand finale of the fistic festival was the heavyweight episode in which a youthful, ambitious, well-trained Jim Corbett registered his stunning knockout of a supposedly invincible, but actually a flabby, ill-trained veteran, John L. Sullivan.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS

By Harlan Haas

Dallas, Texas—It was rough. It was tough. Put those ingredients together and you know a good crowd pleasing fight took place. When Curtis Cokes and Marshall Wells hooked it on in Dallas, it was both rough and tough. Consequently, the fans got their dollar's worth.

Cokes was the winner, but it wasn't easy since Wells is a pretty tough cookie. Only the best in the welterweight class can take him, and none will have an easy night's work.

Wells received a badly gashed lower lip in the eleventh round of the twelve rounder. Cornerman Billy DeFoe took one look at it, and as the blood gushed from the wound, he wisely refused to let Wells answer the bell for the last round. Thus it goes in the books as a 12-round technical knockout for Cokes.

Cokes was the winner, but it wasn't easy since

In the semi-windup, the very promising Severo 'Kid" Balboa, 144, Corpus Christi, looked every bit the great young prospect he is, by winning his fifteenth consecutive fight without a blemish on his perfect record. The victim was tough Mike Lamb of Dallas who weighed 147, and it went the full six rounds.

Joe Barrientes, 125, Dallas, got the duke over Tito Guillen, 124, Corpus Christi, one of the fighting Guillen brothers, in six rounds. In another six, Floyd Molina, 132, Ft. Worth, whipped veteran Bobby Garza. 134, Corpus Christi.

ODDS & ENDS . . . Irish Jimmy Curl, one time ranking middleweight, doing okay for himself now with a steel company. The hard hitting southpaw has been away from the ring for a decade, but is in fine physical condition.

Manuel Gonzalez, Lou Viscusi's welterweight, is now rated a top challenger. . . . Jeff Davis, the towering heavyweight, continues to look sharp. He can go with anyone in the top ten, and not one of them would have a picnic. In fact, it is the writer's opinion that a good portion of them could not beat him. . . . Steve Freeman, the fine little featherweight from Lake Jackson, trains diligently and is looking for action. He has a 15-2 pro record, and one of his 10-round victories came over former ranking Eloy Sanchez. . . . Jimmy Lane, the New Orleans welterweight, working out in the gym in Houston.

Gaylord Barnes, pulling duty as spar mate for Manuel Gonzalez. Barnes has fought the best, including Sugar Ray Robinson, Joey Archer, Emile Griffith. . . . Anyone desiring copy of Emile Griffith-Manuel Gonzalez boxing program can have copy of same by sending twenty five cents (25¢) to the writer at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas 77401, to cover cost of mailing.

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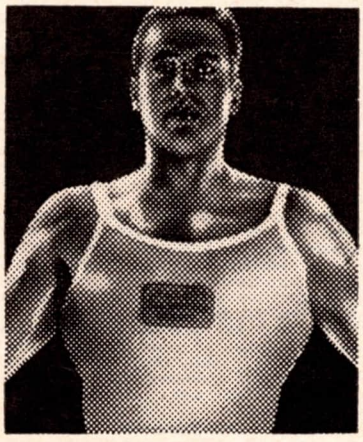

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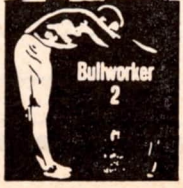

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QUARRY, LOS ANGELES HEAVY GG STANDOUT

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Cassius Clay-ed the heavyweight title.

There were two highlights in the novice section. In the 126 lb. division, Louis Hernandez, Boys Club, scored a one round knockout over Thomas Acree, Boys Club. The second feature was the second round knockout of George Matisko, Parks Department, by Devieny Washington, factory worker, in the heavyweight division.

Acree, a southpaw, came out fast, punching Hernandez from one side of the ring to the other. This continued until midway through the round when Hernandez threw his first and only punch of the fight, a right to the jaw which caught Acree coming in and dropped him for a nine count. The referee wisely stopped the fight.

Matisko and Washington slugged it out in the first round. Matisko caught the fancy of the crowd with his unorthodox style. Washington was more stunned than hurt in the first round. In the second, Washington moved in and connected with a left-right combination to the head to deck Matisko. The referee did not bother to count.

Sub-novice results were: Randolph Horton, PAL, decisioned Louis Rosado, Salem-Crescent A.C., to win the flyweight title, Florio DeJesus, Empire S.C., won the bantamweight title by outpointing Israel Ortiz, a stock clerk, Billy McClendon, Salem-Crescent A.C., outpunched Roy Birch, PAL, to win the 135 lb. title. In the light heavyweight division, Anthony Norris, Salem-Crescent A.C., outboxed Robert Wagner, Boys Club.

The middleweight title went to Elliott Miller, Physical Arts A.D., on a decision over Thomas Bethea, Salem-Crescent A.C. Anthony Bowens, Salem-Crescent A.C., beat Raymond Klie, Meadowbrook A.C., 147 lb. class.

GRIFFITH WANTS MIDDLES

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It appeared the champ was coasting and many in the vast gathering were of the opinion that an all-out effort on the part of the champ in the last rounds would have halted his challenger.

The last three sessions saw a still willing, but tired, Stable, attempt to land blows to Griffith's stomach. The champ, meanwhile, teed off with some presentable lefts and rights to the head and made no great attempt to put the challenger out of his misery.

Despite Clancy's bawling, "You're doing nothing out there," into Griffith's ear at the end of the fourteenth, the champ performed in a rather listless manner in the fifteenth, which caused Judge Al Berle and Frank Forbes to give Stable that round. The former scored the fight, 9-5-1 for Griffith and Forbes gave it to Emile on an 8-6-1 count. The referee had it 11 to 4 for Griffith. The writer agreed with the 9-5-1 of Judge Berle.

In the press conference held the day following the match, Griffith did his own talking.

"I made $70,000 for this fight plus a 25% of all net revenues . . . not bad for an easy night's work."

He was clear about his future plans. *"I'll fight any welter or middleweight and don't sell me short. Remember I've fought plenty of middles already and proved I can handle them.*

"Don't judge my middleweight future on the basis of what I did with Rubin Carter. He took me out in one but any guy can walk into the wrong punch once in his career."

The Carter knockout is the only kayo in the Griffith Ring Record Book entry.

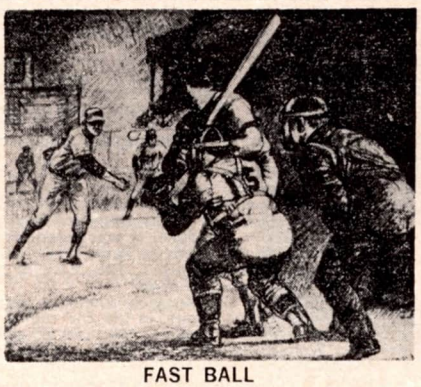
Offers have been pouring in. Johannesburg, South Africa promoters want a title fight with their South African welter champ Willie Ludick, on the basis of his having outpointed Brian Curvis, the British and Empire champion in a non-title fight. The bout is to take place in England due to the restrictions placed on "mixed" matches in South Africa.

Another possibility is a meeting with Fortunato Manca of Italy, the sixth rated welterweight in the world.

Among the middleweights named as possible opponents for Griffith in addition to Giardello are such names as Dick Tiger, Joey Archer and the aforementioned Rubin Carter.

The big problem facing Griffith in his choice of an opponent is money. There are not many easy $70,000 touches around and most of Griffith's possible opponents are not potential "money matches."

Perhaps the only two bouts which could conceivably draw would be a fight for the middleweight title with Giardello, which is not likely, or a return meeting with Manuel Gonzalez, the number two world welter, in Houston, which is most likely.



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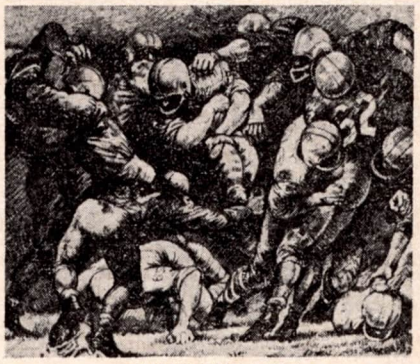

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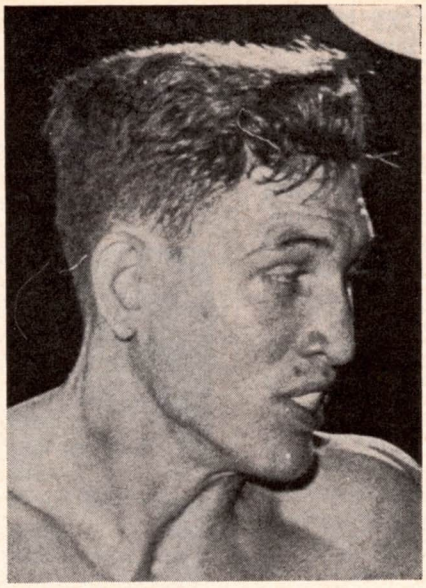

Billy Collins, Nashville and Detroit welterweight, who caused sensation in California boxing circles by whipping heavily favored and highly rated Gabe Terronez in Fresno. Collins' victory evened accounts for a decision Terronez had taken from him in the same ring a year before.

By BILL MILLER

Los Angeles, Cal.—Irish Billy Collins, 150, scored an upset over Gabe Terronez, 147½, Fresno, in 10 rounds at Fresno. Collins, who hails from Nashville, is unranked.

Terronez was No. 7 in the top ten. His California title was not at stake, since Collins is not a California 6-month resident. Besides, Gabe holds a win over Collins, scored in April, 1964. What happened to Gabe this time? College exams?

On hand, 2,069; gross gate, $6,842.

In the semi-final, slated for eight, Chappell Funneye, Fresno, 146, was awarded a knockout over Al Andrews, Fresno, 148, in the 7th round. Andrews was ahead by one point when he suffered a cut eye.

Rees Van Herringen, Hanford heavyweight, scored a 3rd round Kayo over Alex Rios, Stockton in the opener. Referee Pete Morelli stopped the bout to save Rios from a bad beating; it had been slated for four.

▸ **SACRAMENTO**—A goodly crowd was on hand in Sacramento's Memorial Auditorium to see Denny Moyer, 158, Portland, score a decisive triumph over hometown pride Fred Roots, 164. The attendance: 2,257; gross gate, $6,228.

There was no room for argument about the decision. Moyer won with ease.

The semi-final was taken by Robert Allen, 143, Oakland, a unanimous verdict over Pepper Brown, 147, Priest River, Idaho, (6).

In the opener, Eugene Parker, 138, San Jose, drew with Frank Souza, 135, Sacramento (4).

▸ **OAKLAND**—Roger Rouse, 172, San Jose, won a smasher over Clarence James, 164, Richmond, in the Oakland Auditorium. At stake, the California light heavyweight title. It was a terrific scrap. There were many who insisted that the Richmond boy had earned a draw.

The fight was a pippin 12 rounds of action.

In a 10-rounder, Harold Mann, 161, Prince George, B.C., won the unanimous verdict over Willie Turner, 161, Fresno. And in the 6-round opener, Benny Passa, 165½, Oakland, decisioned Danny Ynez, 158, San Jose.

▸ **LOS ANGELES** — In our Olympic Auditorium, where he has scored a dozen or so knockout victories, "Long John" Smith, 157, added another: this time, Luis Gutierrez, of Nicaragua, 160½. Probably the softest touch Smith ever enjoyed. It ended in 1:50 of the 2nd round.

Gutierez was brought here by Angelo Dundee. "Highly recommended", said the ads.

In the semi-final, Pimi Amador, 120, won a close 5-round decision over Joe Padilla, 121. In other five-rounders: Ray James, 134, decisioned Frankie Fedillo, 129½ and Billy Stanley, 146, defeated Frank Taylor, 146½.

▸ On February 11, heavyweight Willie Richardson was suspended indefinitely after he had kicked Roger Rischer, state champ, at Oakland—just before the gentlemen were slated to box for the state title. Richardson is receiving a reprieve.

Here are the stipulations: a $250 fine must be paid to the commission; $250 to Rischer. In addition, Richardson must post a $1,000 bond, to guarantee fulfillment of the obligation.

▸ **RICHMOND, CAL.**—Henry Clark, 206, Los Angeles, got a helping hand from Father Time when he stopped Sergeant Matt Jackson (who is 34 years old), 190, in the 9th round. It was Clark all the way. His record is now 6-2-1. This was Richmond's first fight show of 1965.

In the 8-round semi-final, Silky Shelton, 150, San Francisco, defeated Leon Linscomb, 154, San Francisco. Other prelims: Joe Byron, 176, San Francisco, decisioned Irish Eddie Jones, 186, Oakland, (4); opener, Benny Passa, 165, decision over Marco Spragio, 165, Oakland, (4).

▸ **LOS ANGELES**—Richie Sue, Portland featherweight, made his Southland debut at the Olympic Auditorium an auspicious one by scoring a one-sided win over lanky Licho Guerrero, Tijuana. Sue, 127½; Guerrero, 126½.

Sue is part Chinese, part Indian. Both halves combine to make a fine prospect. He is undefeated, and has scored six of his 13 pro fights by knockout.

Manuel "Junior" Ramos, 127½, won a 6-round decision over Jose Barrera, 127½, in the semi-final. Ramos is undefeated as a pro.

In another six, Pimi Amador, 118½, was awarded a decision over Luke Smith, 120, Portland. In the opener, Bill Stanley, 144½, decisioned Walter Smith, 145, (4).

▸ **SANTA MONICA**—In the Civic Auditorium, Santa Monica, heavyweight Thad Spencer, 194, Pasadena, had a 16-pound weight advantage over fleet-footed Chuck Leslie, 178, Los Angeles. This enabled Thad to win the duke. It was unanimous. In the companion ten, Norman Parra, 118½, San Diego, stopped Manuel Reyes, 116, 2:49 of the 7th round. Parra is undefeated.

Willie Ray, 135, Los Angeles, knocked out Al Sandoval, 137½, Las Vegas, in the 2nd round. In the opener, William Stanley, 146, Los Angeles, defeated Walter Taylor, 147, L.A. (4).

▸ **OAKLAND**—Charlie Shipes, 144, Oakland, scored a 6-round knockout over Memo Lopez, 147, L.A., in Oakland. It had been billed as a state welterweight title affair. There was a companion feature, but this was also a curtailed affair: Ricardo Moreno, 126, Mexico, had a real soft touch. A fellow-countryman named Luis Echevista, 128, Moreno flattened his "paisano" in Round 1.

Gross gate, $7,058; customers, 2500.

In the 6-round opener, Marcel Scott, 155, Oakland, decisioned Leon Linscomb, 160, San Francisco.

▸ **SAN FRANCISCO**—The fans at Kezar Pavilion, San Francisco, went home early. Every fight ended in a knockout.

Three young men, all from Great Falls, Montana, were victims. All, incidentally, managed by Sid Flaherty. Their names, Ken Carruthers, Al Strensrvd. and Charlie Gardipee.

Silky Shelton, 156, San Francisco, kayoed Carruthers, 157½, 7th round.

Rocky Montalvo, 158, San Francisco, kayoed Strensrvd, 150, (4).

Don Hicks, 132, San Francisco, kayoed Gardipee, 134, (3).

In the opener, Joe Flores, 134, San Francisco, knocked out John McNickels, 131, (3).

▸ **In the OLYMPIC AUDITORIUM, L.A.,** two guys named Jose, headlined the card: Jose (Potrillo) Lopez, 118, Tijuana, staged a real punchfest with Jose Cejudo, 119, Guadalajara. It ended in Round 5, with Lopez the winner.

Lopez caught up with Cejudo in the 4th, dropping him twice in that heat. In Round 5, the harder-hitting Lopez had him on the canvas twice. That's when Referee Lee Grossman stopped it, wisely. This was Lopez' first fight locally since he lost to Jesus Pimentel in 1963.

Bernie Magallanes, 141½, knocked out Bobby Allen, 139½, 6th round; two five-rounders: Henry Pouncey, 181, decisioned Lance Holmberg, 185; and Charley Jones, 157½, decisioned Harold Pencer, 164.

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"PACIFIC NORTHWEST"

By Ruggles Larson

BOISE, IDAHO—Gail Wright extended his undefeated record to six, by kayoing fellow Boisean Lou Phillips in the second canto of a ten round main event at the Fair Grounds Arena.

Phillips opened the encounter by scoring heavily in the first with flurries of lefts and rights. But in the second, Gail's accurate punches began finding their intended mark. By 2:25 it was all over and Wright's record reads five wins and one draw.

In the six round semi-final, Billy Jones of Navada gained a close split decision over Battling Ray Barritua, 135, Boise. Barritua piled up an early lead at the end of four rounds, but Jones came back strong in the last two, to gain the unpopular nod.

Four rounders: Gary Holliday, 147, Lewiston, Ida., scored a split decision win over Merle Gross, 149, Missoula, Montana. Manuel Garcia, 134, Carson City, Nev., won a unanimous decision over Jesse Guerra, 136, Nyssa, Ore. In the opener, Tom Gross of Missoula and Bob Woods of Boise boxed a four round exhibition.

▸ **PORTLAND, OREGON**—Richie Sue decked Trino Savala of Sacramento three times in the second round to register a t.k.o. win in the main event at Portland Auditorium. Sue weighed 127, and Savala, 127½.

In another ten rounder, Elmer Rush, 212, San Francisco, kayoed Charley Howard of Phoenix, Arizona, in 35 seconds of the first.

Prelims: Archie Hanks, 139, Sacramento, t.k.o.'ed Mike Martinez, 135, San Francisco, in the third round. Luke Smith, 124, Portland, scored a fourth round t.k.o. over Alvaro Alvardo, 126, Woodburn, Ore. Chuck Center, 147, Sacramento, t.k.o.'ed Willie Richardson, 145, Portland, in the fourth round.

▸ **SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**—Denny Moyer, 160, Portland, Ore., won a unanimous ten round decision over Rocky Montalvo, 157, San Francisco.

▸ **TACOMA, WASHINGTON** — Oscar Morris, 146, Tacoma, Wash., t.k.o.'ed Willard Nelson, 149, Portland, at 2:30 of the eighth round.

Rudy Garcia, 132, Tacoma, scored a unanimous ten round decision over Luis Echevesta of Jalisco, Mexico. And in the third ten rounder, Ron Thompson, 162, Eugene, Ore., t.k.o.'ed Jack Sullivan, 158, Shelby, Montana.

Prelims: Sylvester Carter, 179, Seattle, won a unanimous decision over Richie Peters, 188, Portland, over the four round route. In the opener, Harold Nelson, 144, Portland, kayoed Jack Murphy, 143, Tacoma, in forty-four seconds.

A crowd of 727 paid $2,384, for Tacoma's first show in several months.

▸ **LOS ANGELES, CALIF.** — Richie Sue, 127½, Portland, Ore., outpointed Licho Guerrero, 126½, Tijuana, Mex., in ten rounds.

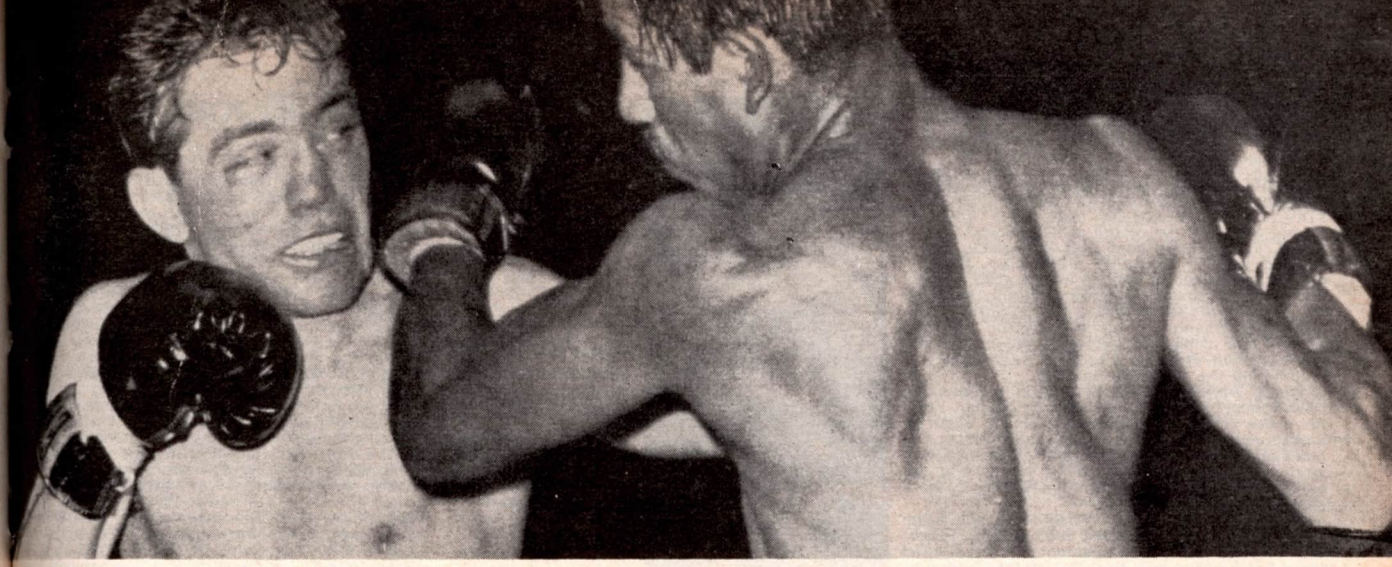
Another Portlander, Luke Smith, lost an unpopular split-decision to Pimi Amador in the six round semi-final. They are featherweights.

▸ **LONG BEACH, CALIF.**—Thad Spencer, 188, Portland, Ore., outpointed Chuck Leslie, 179, Los Angeles.

▸ **OAKLAND, CALIF.**—Roger Rouse, 172, Anaconda, Montana, decisioned Clarence James, 164, Richmond, Calif., over the twelve round route.

▸ **SACRAMENTO, CALIF.**—Denny Moyer, 158, Portland, Ore., outpointed Fred Roots, 162, Sacramento, in ten rounds.

▸ **KENT, WASHINGTON**—Roy Hutchinson is now handling the boxing team at the State Diagnostic Center. Roy's boys showed quite well in the local golden gloves' tournaments.



In his busy campaigning, Ortega willingly takes on any opponent anywhere at any time, from world champions down to ambitious local favorites. Here the Mexican veteran is seen in a lively exchange with young Mike Tunney in the latter's home town, Medford, Oregon. Ortega was too experienced for the youngster and won the decision.

GASPAR ORTEGA, Tourist

Boxing has produced many a globe-trotter—Abe the Newsboy, Jeff Smith, Young Stribling, Tom Heeney, Archie Moore, Sandy Saddler and Emile Griffith, to list only some of them—but before he finishes with the ring Gaspar Ortega, veteran Mexican welterweight, promises to match the touring records of the busiest travelers the leather-tossing profession has produced.

For the first ten years of his boxing career, Ortega was satisfied to confine his lively activities to Mexico and the United States, but in the last two years he has expanded his operations and become a confirmed voyager. He has made three trips to Hawaii, three to Italy, one to France and one to England. He also was scheduled for a jaunt to South Africa, but it was cancelled. Gaspar and his manager, Nick Corby, have long since lost track of the mileage they've covered since 1953, but, roughly, they estimate they must have passed the 1,000,000 mark on trains, ships, busses, trucks and planes for the nearly 200 bouts in which the Indian has engaged.

(Above)—Ortega points proudly to the truck in which he does much of his hop-scotching around Mexico and southwest United States, and (below) he poses before the truck with a crowd of admirers.

(Below)—Other means of travel for Ortega are planes and buses. Roughly, it is estimated that in his busy career the Mexican has covered at least 1,000,000 miles to keep nearly 200 dates in the ring.

Gaspar checks over his lengthy record in The Ring Record Book while Manager Nick Corby looks on admiringly at his industrious and durable protege. In 12 years of battling, Ortega has packed in nearly 200 bouts.

THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

Walter McGowan, the British and Empire Flyweight king was brilliant in his recent triumph over Tunisian Felix Brami, whose undefeated streak McGowan halted.

ROYAL ALBERT HALL, London—"Wee" Walter McGowan, British & Empire Flyweight Champion, 116½, fought one of his best fights when he dented the unbeaten record of Felix Brami, Tunis, 118½, in a thrilling bout over ten rounds. When one has been in boxing so many years, he does not get so thrilled or excited over a good victory. But on this occasion, McGowan not only gave me the impression that we saw a future World's Bantamweight Champion, for every critic and the packed hall of paying customers, were all of the same opinion. He gave a brilliant performance in outpointing the unbeaten Tunisian.

Young Walter has put himself in the position of the most talked of boxer at the present time. From the first gong, McGowan took the initiative and scored with left hooks and jabbing lefts to the head and body of Brami. Brami made headway in the third, when he found his range, and the contest developed into a brilliant boxing by both lads.

In the fifth McGowan suffered a cut above the left eye, but the bout did not deter as both fought toe-to-toe to the encouragement of the excited fans. During the sixth Brami's left eye began to swell, and as the bout progressed, the swelling grew bigger. Referee Jack Hart inspected the damage at the end of the round.

The pace was still fantastic as they came out for the ninth, McGowan with blood streaming from his cut eye and Brami with his left eye closed, continued to battle as if the contest had just started.

At the bell ending the tenth round, they were still fighting it out as referee Jack Hart separated them and raised the hand of Walter McGowan as the winner. The ovation for both boxers was deafening as the young Scot raised Brami into his arms and carried him around the ring.

McGOWAN FUTURE BANTAM CHAMP?

▸ **ROYAL ALBERT HALL, London** — "The Hurricane" came to London in the person of Rubin Carter, Paterson, New Jersey, 155½, to meet Harry Scott, Bootle, 161¾, but the Hurricane must have petered out somewhere on the way, for it was Scott who was acclaimed the "Hero" of the night. He took or slipped the heavy hooks or swings that Carter unleashed.

Carter did show a snappy left lead, and these did damage to Scott's left eye from the third, but the best work of Scott was at close quarters, when he forced Carter to the ropes and belted out two-handed rallies. The referee Harry Gibbs, on three occasions looked at the damage to Scott's left eye before calling it a day. There were loud protests from the corner of Scott who claimed that the injury was not bad for the bout to be stopped. When the bout was stopped, there were divided opinions who was ahead on points at the closure. My score card said that Carter was ahead because of better boxing and cleaner scoring.

Vic Andreetti, Hoxton, 138, stopped Ex-World's Lightweight Champion, Joe Brown, 138, in the fifth, when the latter received a cut eye.

"Old-Old Bones" Brown was only a shadow of his appearance here when he defended his title against Dave Charnley. The Hoxton Lad was well on the way to a win on points when referee Benny Caplan stopped the bout.

Johnny Mantle, Battersea, 125¾, gained a good points win over Billy Calvert, Sheffield, 127¾, in eight interesting rounds. Terry Edwards, Wolverhampton, 138, gained a good points win over Brian Brazier, Croydon, 138, in an exciting and thrilling eight.

Brian Packer, Dartford, 121½, knocked out Tommy Connor, in the fifth when the latter suffered a badly cut eye. It was a good hard fought bout with honours even at the stoppage. Ron Woods, Catford, 143¼ outpointed Ray Fallone, Battersea, 146¼, in six.

▸ **BELFAST**—Peter Lavery, Belfast, 125½, won the vacant Northern Ireland featherweight title, when he outpointed Brian Smyth, Belfast, 125¼, in a hard fought ten.

Henry Turkington, Doagh, 156½, outpointed Syd Brown, Bournemouth, 152, in eight. The Irishman came from behind to gain a good win.

Manley Brown, Bournemouth, 136¼, knocked out Kevin Hylands, Belfast, 135¾, in the fourth. Al Sharpe, Belfast, 150, outpointed John McMillan, Glasgow, 147, in eight. Tony McTigue, Belfast, 165½, outpointed Joe Cooke, Bournemouth, in an exciting six.

▸ **MILAN, Italy**—Mick Leahy, former British Middleweight Champion was outpointed by Nino Benvenuti, Italy, after a thrilling ten.

▸ **BERMONDSEY** — Jim Lloyd, Bermondsey via Liverpool, 160¼, outpointed Dennis Read, Croydon, Southern Area Middleweight Champion, 157½, in a closely fought eight. Jimmy Mitchell, Wandsworth, 136½, and Harry Edwards, Smethwick, 138, provided the fans with a great bout and Mitchell was returned the points winner.

Lex Hunter, West Ham, 136½, was too strong for Tommy Atkins, Nigeria, 138, and the bout was stopped in his favor in the sixth.

Alf Pickard, Battersea, 125, outpointed Arnold Bell, Jamaica, 129½, in six. Johnny Wakefield, Hackney, 137, stopped Joey Burns, East Ham, 136½, in the fourth. Nat Rogers, Shepherds Bush, 153½, and Tommy Bell, Paddington, 154, drew in six.

▸ **NEWCASTLE**—Yves Desmarets, France, 127, who recently lost to Howard Winstone in Italy, defeated George Bowes, Hesleden, 125½, in the tenth and last round when the referee intervened after Bowes had sustained a badly cut eye.

Keith Tate, Leeds, 119, and Monty Laud, St. Ives, 120, fought a draw in eight. Jack Bodell, Wolverhampton, 197½, stopped Al Roye, Tottenham, 193, in the fourth. Francis Ibe, Nigeria, 136, stopped John Bacon, Middlesborough, 143, in the fourth. Len Gibbs, Jamaica, 159½, stopped Mick Kane, Glasgow, 156½, in the first.

▸ **MADRID, Spain**—Bob Cofie, Ghana, domiciled in Britain, gave away weight to lose on points against Luis Folledo, Spain, in a middleweight Ten.

▸ **LIVERPOOL**—Gordon McAteer, Birkenhead, 147, came back after a lay off to defeat Darkie Smith, Bermondsey, 148, who received a badly cut eye in the fourth, and the bout was stopped by the referee.

Leslie McAteer, Birkenhead, 143¾, younger of The McAteer Clan, won his second paid contest by outclassing Chris McAuley, Belfast, 149, when the referee intervened during the fourth to save McAuley from further punishment. Jimmy Dunne, Liverpool, 136, former amateur champion, made a successful debut in stopping Paddy Winters, Belfast, 135, in the fourth.

Nat Jacobs, Manchester, 154, outpointed Syd Brown, Bournemouth, 157, in eight. Ray Ako, Liverpool, 163½, outpointed Oliver Little, Belfast, 163, in six. Des Rea, Liverpool, 140½, outpointed Manley Brown, Jamaica, 138, in six. Billy Seseman, Liverpool, 142½, outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 137½ in six.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London — Jackie Brown, Edinburgh, 118¾, Scottish Bantamweight & Area Champion, scored easily over Don Weller, Battersea, Southern Area Champion, 119, forcing the referee to intervene in his favor during the sixth. Up to the time of the closure, the Scot showed supremacy.

Eddie Avoth, Cardiff, 161½, was too good for Fitzroy Lindo, Jamaica, 154½, and it was no surprise when the referee called a halt in the seventh to save the latter from further punishment. Steve Richards, Bermondsey, 160, defeated Norrie McCulloch, Glasgow, 154, in the fourth, when the referee stopped the bout in Richards' favor after the Scot had sustained a badly cut eye.

Ron Smith, Liverpool, 135½, stopped Albert Daniels, Bermondsey, 135¼, in the fifth.

▸ **SHEFFIELD**—Billy Calvert, Sheffield, 127, received a points decision over Bobby Davies, West Ham, 127½, after a thrilling Ten. The crowd did not take kindly to referee Dakin's decision, and voiced their opinion in no light hearted manner.

Shaun Doyle, Barnsley, 144, and Fred Powney, Doncaster, 146, gave the fans "A Donnybrook" affair, with no let up for the scheduled ten. At the end, when a draw was announced, the ring canvas was littered with "Nobbins".

Jack Grant, Chesterfield, 174, defeated Malcolm Worthington, Crewe, 177, when the bout was stopped after Worthington had sustained cuts around his eyes in the sixth. Another cut eye brought a closure to the bout between Charlie Grice, Manchester, 153, and Jimmy Stewart, Preston, 154¼, when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the fifth, leaving Grice as the winner.

Mick Cowan, Sheffield, 200, stopped Billy Morgan, Wolverhampton, 199, in the five.

Anglo-American Club—Paul Armstead, U.S.A., had no difficulty in handling Joe Tetteh, Ghana, in a lightweight bout. Tetteh was floored for 'six' in the third, and retired at the end of the sixth.

Brian Bissmire, West Ham, stopped Keith Tate, Leeds, in the sixth of a bantamweight contest, when the latter retired at the end of the round. Ivan Drew, West Ham, outpointed Alan Wheeler, East Ham, in a welterweight six.

▸ **BRISTOL**—Ray Shiel, St. Helens, defeated Ron Gray, Walsall, in the fifth of a heavyweight bout, when the latter received a badly cut lip, forcing referee Bill Williams to intervene and declare Shiel The Winner. Harry Edwards, Smethwick, outpointed "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, in a lightweikht eight. Terry Gale, Leeds, stopped Pat Hughes, Marshfield, in the second of a featherweight bout.

Eric Cartmell, Covent Garden, outpointed Billy Bowman, Gateshead, in a lightweight six. Gary Chippendale, stopped Roy Thomas, Streatham, in the fifth of a Middleweight Set-to. Fred Drinan, Gloucester, stopped Brian Clare, Birmingham, in the first.

▸ **SHEPHERDS BUSH**—John "Young" McCormack, Dublin, suffered his second defeat in nineteen contests through "The Cut Eye" Bugbear, when the referee intervened after he had received a badly cut eye. His opponent, Orlando Paso, Nigeria, stood up well against The Irishman's attack and was trailing on points at the closure.

Bernie Sutton, Neasden, knocked out Billy Alport, Walsall, in the second of a cruiserweight bout. Johnny Ratcliffe, Bournemouth, stopped Ronnie Russell, Shepherds Bush, in the third of a hard hitting featherweight contest.

Alan Pickard, Battersea, outpointed Sammy Rodgers, Wolverhampton, in a featherweight Six. Harry Wheeler, East Ham, outpointed Ricky Porter, Shepherds Bush, in welterweight eight.

▸ **MANCHESTER.** Johnny Cooke, Bootle, Central Area Welterweight Champion, gave weight and a beating to middleweight "southpaw" Jim Swords, Manchester, in a hard hitting Ten. Nat Jacobs, Manchester, and Jackie Harwood, Salford, fought a draw in a middleweight eight.

Johnny Adebisi, Nigeria, knocked out Sammy McIlvenna, Glasgow, in the fifth of a bantamweight bout. John McMillan, Glasgow, outpointed Des Rea, Liverpool, in a welterweight Six. Barry Calderwood, Salford, knocked out Pat O'Rourke, Nottingham, in the third of a welterweight bout.

▸ Brian Curvis, Swansea, British and Empire Welterweight Champion, 146¼, and Gasper Ortega, New York via Mexico, 148½, suffered in comparison having to follow The McGowan-Brami contest. The Welshman was fighting his way back to meeting Emile Griffith once again for the latter's welterweight title. The Welshman won every round. Although he attacked throughout, Ortega was an evasive target whose bobbing and weaving very low made the contest a boring one with no blame on Curvis. With the record of Ortega, one would have thought that he would have put up a better performance.

Phil Lundgren, Bermondsey, Southern Area Featherweight Champion, 127½, gained a narrow points victory over Michel Atlan, France, 126½, in eight. This was Atlan's first defeat in Britain after four visits, and the opinions of the fans was divided when the decision was announced.

Young "John" McCormack, The popular Dublin Cruiserweight, 174½, continued his inside the distance victories with a second round stoppage when he stopped Roy Seward, Lincoln, 178, the referee Billy White intervened to save a game opponent from further punishment.

Rudolph Vaughn, Jamaica, 185,, defeated Eric Fearon, Jamaica, 185½, in the third with a perfect right to the jaw. Fearon was put down flat on his back and on rising was in no condition to defend himself.

Dennis Read, Croydon, 157¾, defeated Ian McKenzie, Ayr, 157½, Glasgow, 118, in the second. Len Gibbs, St. Pancras, via Jamaica, 160, stopped Pat Verney, St. Lucia, 161, when the latter retired in the third with a damaged eye.

▸ **CARDIFF**—Carl Gizzi, The 20-year-old Cardiff Heavyweight, 196, gained the advantage over his local rival Len "Rocky" James, 200, in a hard hitting eight. This was the youngster's first eight

rounder and he proved that he is worth following for bigger honors before the 1965 year runs out.

Dennis Pleace, Cardiff, 149½, was ruled out in the sixth for persistent low hitting against Ricky Porter, Shepherds Bush, 148½, Keith Tate.

Leeds, 120, outpointed Ron Lendrum, Hove, via Pontypridd, 120, by a narrow margin in eight.

Terry Gale, Cardiff, 137, stopped Don McRae, Trinidad, 130½, in the first.

Manley Brown, Bournemouth, 138, knocked out Terry Cook, Cardiff, 138, in the sixth. Billy Marlow, Cardiff, 138, stopped Junior Lindo, Jamaica, 144½, in the second.

▸ Terry Downes, former World's Middlewight Champion, and with a stones throw of winning The World's Cruiserweight Crown, followed Dave Charnley, British Lightweight Champion into retirement.

Terry called a Press conference to announce his action after negotiations broke down for a return with Willie Pastrano.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London**—Orizio Obilaso, Nigeria, 117½, gained a clear points win over 'Southpaw" Don Weller, Battersea, 119½, after a fast and hard fought eight. Roy Enifer, Bermondsey, 214, outpointed Jim Monaghan, Derry, 204, in a hard fought eight.

Ron Smith, Bermondsey, 133½, won his first professional bout by outpointing Sugar Ray Johnson Leicester, 139¼, in six. Young Johnny Patrick, Plaistow, 135, outpointed Ron Rowley, Pontypridd, 136, in six.

▸ **NOTTINGHAM**—Johnny Pritchett, Nottingham, 159½, continued his winning streak with a points win over Joe Bell, Jamaica, 161¼, in a hard fought eight. Tony Riley, Coventry, 131¾, had a comfortable points win over Sammy Rodgers, Wolverhampton, 128¼, in six.

Pat O'Rourke, Doncaster, 146, outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 145½, in six. Tommy Rix, Barking, 137¼, knocked out Joe Babbington, Leicester via Nigeria, 134½, in the first. Ivan Drew, Ilford, 143¼, stopped Kenny Hind, Worksop, 147, in the second.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

Not many fights were promoted last month but three of them were Australian title tilts, and two were Queensland State championships.

At the Melbourne Festival Hall, Gilberto Biondi retained his Australian lightweight title by stopping Graham Dicker in the eleventh round. Dicker established a good lead in the first half of the bout, out-boxing the title-holder, but he tired badly and Biondi took charge to deck Dicker and have him ready for the cleaners when referee Terry Reilly stepped in and saved the challenger. Dicker's tiredness was due to drastic weight reduction.

▸ One week later, Carmen Rotolo met Ian McDonald for the vacant Australian welter title at the same venue. The former champion, Ghanian Peter Cobblah has left Australia, thus leaving the throne vacant.

Rotolo outpointed McDonald over 15 rounds, to become our welterweight champion. It was a mauling fight.

▸ At Whyalla, South Australia, Peter Leaney successfully defended his Australian heavyweight title by outpointing Young Stanko over 15 rounds. Leaney had won the title only two months previously. This was a hard and exciting fight, though lacking in class. Each man took a count. At the end Leaney's margin was small but clear.

▸ There were two Queensland State title fights held at the Brisbane Festival Hall in successive weeks.

Arthur Clark had no trouble in retaining his featherweight crown against Bobby Wells. Clark won by a knockout in round three. Wells had run up an impressive record of KO wins but against southpaw Clark, he didn't have a clue. The champion took charge early and wrapped it up midway through the third heat.

▸ The following week Paul Baker successfully defended his Queensland State middleweight title by halting Terry Chadwick in the third round. The challenger had no answer to the champion's speed and was outclassed. Both State title tilts were billed for 15 rounds.

In a 12-round support to Baker-Chadwick, former Australian amateur champion Jimmy Edwards made a successful pro debut by stopping game Vince Carlill in the 9th round. They are welters. Carlill, receiver general, was reeling around the ring when referee Les Parker called a halt.

Newcastle Stadium opened after a lapse of several years.

Johnny Roberts scored a clear but dreary points win over Kevin Rose. Roberts is one of our rising lightweights and normally is very impressive, but Rose, a cagy customer, wanted to maul and Roberts went with him. These two fought previously at Sydney Stadium, with Roberts looking like a world-beater in stopping Rose in the first round.

In a 10-round support, welter Allan Roberts was impressive in stopping Ray Atkinson in the second round.

It is a pity the programme was not so good, as Newcastle is hungry for fights. A car breakdown was responsible for many changes in the bill, as several boxers were in it on the way to the stadium.

▸ Our flyweight champion Rocky Gattellari must be one of the unluckiest boxers around. His proposed bout with Raton Mojica in Melbourne has been postponed five times because Rocky injured an elbow and is not allowed to box for some weeks. Negotiations still are proceeding with Pone Kingpetch to come to Australia and defend his world crown against Gattellari in Sydney. If Pone wins the bout with Burruni he will be brought to Australia. The Benevolent Society of NSW is promoting this one.

All for this month. My address is 23 Milburn Rd., Gymea, N.S.W., Australia.

BOXING IN GEORGETOWN BRITISH GUIANA

By George C. Beckles

10 Round Main Bout

Fitzroy Whyte, 182½ lbs. of (B.G.) won on points from Ulric Regis, 182 lbs. of (Trinidad). It was a rather dull and listless affair.

10 Round Supporting Bout

Lynoll Ifill, 160 lbs., won by TKO from Young Braddock, 158 lbs. in 2 min. 35 seconds of the 10th round.

8 Rounds

Floyd Richardson, 134 lbs., won on points from Ashton-Angel, 142 lbs., over 8 rounds.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By Ted Yamochika

The Hurricane Kid, 156¼, knocked out Dave Reed, 155, of Oakland, Calif., in 2:10 of the last round at the Civic Auditorium. The Kid, trailing up to this point, needed a knockout to win and he did it in dramatic fashion.

A neat right to the jaw put Reed down for the count. This punch was actually the finisher. Reed managed to regain his feet at the count of nine but he was still glassy-eyed. However, referee Bill Pacheco failed to intercede, allowed the Kid to land another punch. This punch, a left hook, really stretched Reed out cold but the referee raised the winner's arm before counting the other fighter out, for a T.K.O.

Reed scored most of his points by using hit-run tactics. A couple of times he buckled the Kid's knees with good solid rights to the jaw.

The fight, a Boxing Enterprises' Ltd. promotion, drew 2,648 people and grossed $6,716.50.

Paul Fujii, 138½, TKO'ed Arnie Cotarobles, 136½, in the 8th round. Manuel Lugo, 135½, outpointed Lionel Rivera, 133¾ in 6. Joe Lorenzana, 135½, TKO'ed Israel Melendez, 136½, in the third round. Paul Sebastian, 124, beat Jerry Fowler, 128 in 4.

▸ In probably the best fight seen this year, Paul Fujii, 137, won a unanimous decision over Leopold Corona, 140, of Mexico in a ten round main event at the Civic Auditorium.

The fighters set a terrific pace and slugged it out toe to toe nearly all the way. And while Fujii was the definite winner, the fight was by no means a one-sided affair. Fujii scored the cleaner and harder blows but Corona, who was fighting for the first time in over six months, fought back at every opportunity and dished out his share of punishment. Corona connected best with his left hooks while Fujii kept himself busy with a two fisted attack.

This Fujii boy, who has scored 20 consecutive wins since turning professional, 17 of them by KO, appears to be the brightest prospect seen in this town in some time. He is all business once he's in the ring and his aggressive style is pleasing. He's had only a few fights in Honolulu, his other wins having been scored in Tokyo, but already he's built up a good following.

This was Boxing Enterprises Ltd. 4th card of the year and it drew 1,798 fans and grossed $4,363.10.

▸ Manuel Lugo, 139½, outpointed Kenji Ishida, 142½ in 6 rounds. Lionel Rivera, 132, TKO'ed Katsutomi Takano, 131½, in four. Eddie Pace, 154, TKO'ed Pauli Mahoni, 159, in the third and Jerry Fowler, 128, beat Paul Sebastian, 125, in four rounds.

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

By M. Sacho

The following is a report on recent boxing activity in South Africa. "Old Bones" Brown, former world lightweight champion has been campaigning in this country with much success. He met his match however, in Joe Ngidi, local (Non-White) welterweight champion, and was beaten on points over ten rounds. Brown gave a masterly display of ringcraft, but could not match the stamina and speed of Ngidi. Other results were:

Bantams: Anthony Sithole beat Wilson Radebe (t.k.o. 2nd).

Lightweight: Pat Maseko beat Boy Mathaled (t.k.o. 1st).

Richard Borias beat Daniel Mofakeng on points over six rounds.

Welterweights: Daniel Maseko beat George Thadebe (t.k.o. 2nd).

Middleweights: Henry Sldumo beat Nathan Ngubne (t.k.o. 4th).

▸ Boxing is very active here now.

BOXING IN ECUADOR

By Bruno Stornaiolo

AMBATO—César Taco, 122, drew with Héctor Ramos, 125, in 6 rounds and Eugenio Espinoza, 140, fought a draw of 10 with Luis León, 139.

QUITO—Cesar Taco, 122, kayoed Jorge Altamirano, 128½, in the fourth. Luis Mora, 160, drew with Segundo Cadena, 154, in 8.

German Castelbondo, from Colombia, 134, proved better than Luis Altamirano, 130, in their 10 round bout, but the decision was a draw. Colombian boxer, Alfonso "Kid Peche" France, 142, decisioned Raúl Jara, 140, in 10 rounds.

CUENCA—Jorge Riera, 134, decisioned Argentinian Silverio de la Fuente, 139, in 8 rounds. Pedro Ramos, 133, kayoed Colombian Jack Castillo, 134, in the sixth.

SANTO DOMINGO COLORADOS—Jorge Morales, 145, decisioned Luis Vázquez, 146, in six rounds. Leonardo Gallardo, 137, decisioned Luis León, 138, in eight rounds. Luis Mora, 160, won on points over Antonio Oña, 156, after ten episodes.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO APRIL 21, 1965)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	LIGHTWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. George Chuvalo (C)	1. Dick Tiger (N)	1. Bunny Grant (J)	1. Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Henry Cooper (E)	2. Gomeo Brennan (B)	2. Maurice Cullen (E)	2. Alan Rudkin (E)
3. Brian London (E)	3. Wally Swift (E)	3. Ray Adigun (N)	3. Jackie Brown (S)
4. Johnny Prescott (E)	4. Mick Leahy (E)	4. Love Allotey (G)	4. Don Weller (E)
5. Billy Walker (E)	5. Blair Richardson (C)	5. Percy Hayles (J)	5. Noel Kunde (A)
6. Dave Ould (E)	6. Harry Scott (E)	6. Vic Andreetti (E)	6. Carl Taylor (In)
7. Sipa Fine (N.Z.)	7. Johnny Angel (N)	7. Dion Murphy (N.Z.)	7. Glyn Davies (W)
8. Joe Bygraves (J)	8. Milo Calhoun (J)	8. Dave Coventry (E)	8. Baby John (Rh)
9. Rudolph Vaughan (BIW)	9. Willie Fisher (S)	9. Teddy Meho (G)	9. Sammy McIlvenna (S)
10. Johnny Nomura (N.Z.)	10. Jim Swords (E)	10. Joe Tetteh (G)	10. Danny Lee (S)
CRUISERWEIGHTS	**WELTERWEIGHTS**	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Chic Calderwood (S)	1. Brian Curvis (W)	1. Howard Winstone (W)	1. Walter McGowan (S)
2. Johnny Halifihi (To)	2. Sammy McSpadden (S)	2. Floyd Robertson (G)	2. Rocky Gattellari (A)
3. Freddie Cross (W)	3. Johnny Cooke (E)	3. Joe Rafiu King (N)	3. Bob Allotey (G)
4. John Hendrickson (BWI)	4. Tony Smith (E)	4. John O'Brien (S)	4. Orizio Obilaso (N)
5. Earl Nikora (N.Z.)	5. Bob Cofie (G)	5. Johnny Famechon (A)	5. Alex O'Neil (S)
6. Bob Nicolson (E)	6. Peter Cobblah (G)	6. Frankie Taylor (E)	6. Gerald Jones (W)
7. Burke Emery (C)	7. Joey Durelle (C)	7. Phil Lundgren (E)	7. Monte Laud (E)
8. Johnny Ould (E)	8. Basil Campbell (J)	8. George Bowes (E)	8. Tony Barlow (E)
9. Filo Manuao (N.Z.)	9. Johnny DePieza (T)	9. Ollie Taylor (A)	9. Keith Tate (E)
10. Alan Harmon (J)	10. Brian McCaffrey (E)	10. Brian Cartwright (E)	10. Ron Lendrum (W)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guinea; (C) Canada; (E) England; (FI) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras; (Z) Zambia.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLEY PARRISH

HAMBURG, W. GERMANY; Heavyweight interest is strong in England and on the Continent. What with Karl Mildenberger's trip to the United States, where he saw Ernie Terrell beat Eddie Machen, Joe Bygraves' first round kayo over Albert Westphal, Gerhard Zech's victory over Bygraves, and Francisco De Piccoli's win over Bill Daniels, the Big Boys have been exciting the fans' attention at a pace reminiscent of "the good old days."

Attention was focussed anew on those "good old days" when Joe Beckett died recently at the age of 71.

The Bygraves-ech fight was a good one, rubber match in a series of three. Bygraves dropped Gerhard in the second and rocked him again in the third. But Zech was too skilled for Joe and got the decision. This at Hanover, with Bygraves weighing 221 and Zech 211. In their two previous meetings each scored a Kayo.

The Bygraves—Westphal scrap ended with the German lying on his back, dead to the world. Bygraves, 223, made a powerfully built contrast to the stocky Hamburg battler, 199. Joe started the action with left hand work followed by a hook to the body. Westphal plied his left in reply, then the muscular Jamaican moved in with a lightning left to the jaw.

Westphal went back like a pole-axed steer and struck his head on the boards.

Conny Rudhof, 137, made good with a convincing points victory over British Ricky McMasters, whose repertoire was too limited.

Peter Michalski, 145, Polish-born contender, disputed the welter title with champion Klaus Klein, but lacked the speed and energy to dethrone the doughty East Prussian. Result, a draw after 12 rounds.

Big Buddy Turman, 194, gained some consolation for his recent Italian defeat by knocking out the elegant but fragile Luxemburger, Ray Cillien, in three rounds. Cillien gave the big American plenty of work in the first two rounds but couldn't escape a shellacking in the third.

Werner Hallmann, 150, drew with Erwin Koch over six rounds and Peter Welland, 236, belted out Manfred Schlesinger, 189, in three rounds despite a gallant stand. Promoter, Wittenbrink. Attendance, 4000.

▸ **Attempts at Rimini, Italy,** to make a title-chaser out of Luciano Lugli failed when the local middles ace was obliged to retire in the fifth round by Daniel Leuillier. The tough Frenchman plodded forward with his left out and Lugli met every attack squarely, until his left eye was closed.

At **CREMONA,** Italy—Sandro Schiavetta moved another rung up the feathers ladder when he clearly outpointed the ex-champ, Lino Mastellaro, over 10 rounds. He thus avenged a defeat from amateur days. The bout was a lively affair but Schiavetta dominated most of the way. Gianni Salami won from Franco Munzone in a welter six.

▸ **LIVRY GARGAN,** France saw Fabio Bettini pay the penalty for under-estimating Horst Wiecorek, the tough German exile resident in Switzerland, and was obliged to share the honors after ten rounds. Wiecorek was ahead on points when a knockdown allowed Bettini to retrieve lost ground.

Etienne Giminez flattened Said Adjialli, Algerian flyweight, in two and Jean Brucellari drew with Claude Lellouche in a light-welter six.

▸ **BLOIS, France**—Guy Mastil was given an unpopular draw against the strong Argentinian, José Mansur, after ten rounds. Manzur was ten pounds heavier and had a slight edge.

At **GRANVILLE**—Pierre Rossi returned to action as a bantam but could get only a draw against the whirlwind Algerian, Claude Ouyoucef, in a ten-rounder. Michel Danjou had to retire in the second with a cut eye against René Fromont (light-welters).

▸ **MILAN, Italy**—Piero Tomasoni won over Buddy Thurman, flooring the American in the sixth, but Thurman, boxing defensively, succeeded in lasting the distance.

Duran won in fine style over Klaus Stockmann, (165), the German southpaw, in ten rounds.

Giuliano Nervino won from Luiki Furio in a hard welter eight and Angelo Brichi won a poor decision over Benny Lee, the Ghanaian bantam. Lee was warned often for fouling.

Franco Valle outpunched Jorge Fiordelmondo in a middles six and Sgavazzi drew with Bananno in a welter six.

▸ **AOSTA, Italy**—Enrico Piccinelli decisioned Lucien Desroches in a lightie 8 and Silvio Ceriano won from Assane Fakyh, ruled out in the seventh for refusal to fight.

▸ **At AGEN, France** — Serge Boe, middlewight, fought a return with Walter Beltramini, with whom he had previously drawn in Italy. After ten, the jury again decided on a draw.

▸ **At DUNKIRK**—Guy Maroqui decisioned German Cerdan in a light-welter ten, and Gérard Macrez trimmed Daniel Vuilliaume in a bantam eight.

▸ **At the Paris Central**—Ameur Lamine won a narrow decision over Belgian lightweight, Pierre Tirlo, in ten rounds and André Legrand trounced Marcel Millien in a welter 8.

Serge Caveur edged Noel Wilkin in a middles six.

At the same venue a day later, Antoine Martinheira, of Portugal, halted the Italian feather, Francesco Dessi, in the fifth with a cut eye. Albert Desproges won from Jean Rodriguez in a flyweight six.

▸ **PARIS**—The name of Rubin Carter brought sudden silence to the middleweights demanding recognition, Fabio Bettini was the only volunteer and he put up a game fight before getting knocked out. The Franco-Italian was decked in the opening round but came back with some smart series of in-fighting, getting inside looping hooks. After a spell of inside work in the third, Bettini was caught napping by a right hook and pitched over. He got up too soon and was sent down again from a left and a right and was unable to beat the count.

Milo Calhoun won without much ado over Daniel Leuillier in a middles ten.

Jacques Marty forced Gino Vantaggioli to retire in two.

Joseph Gonzales halted Francois Bocchieri in three. All were middles bouts.

Georges Reignier bested Jacky Bottier in a light welter six.

▸ **TAMPERE, Finland**—Olli Maeki, 138, fought a duel of wits with the bearded Cuban, Angel Robinson Garcia, a bout so evenly matched in strategy that the only damage done was a slight cut over the Finn's right eye in the last round. Maeki got the verdict.

Pekka Kokkonen, 177, was thirsting for revenge against Harry Kneipp. For seven rounds he went furiously into the attack but the Teuton defended himself valiantly and recouped some points in the latter stages, when Kokkonen was tiring. Kokkonen's victory was undisputed.

Mauri Backman, 154, won a monotonous eight from Daniel Brunet of France and Jarmo Bergloef, 137, scored his first knockout, flattening Curly Ko from the Dutch West Indies in the fourth with an uppercut.

▸ **MADRID** saw Luis Folledo win in ten rounds from the Ghanaian middle, Bob Cofie. Cofie clung and clinched.

Cesareo Barrera won in the second from Franco Nenci, when the Italian suddenly retired after taking a smash to the ear.

José Legra won on points from Mario Sitri after a hard-fought feathers eight and Perena trimmed Tòn Aguado in a bantam six.

▸ **At MILAN**—Nino Benevenuti found the tactics of Mick Leahy most unmanageable for four rounds and kept beating a hasty retreat as the Irishman came bulling forward, head down, throwing hooks with both hands. In the fifth, Mick took a count, and Nino regained confidence.

Leahy was twice warned. Benevenuti won by a wide margin.

Carmelo Bossi, with his difficult style, outboxed Luciano Piazzo in a monotonous welter ten but credit went to Piazza for trying to make the action.

The lightheavy brothers, Saraudi, were both on view—Vittorio scored his best win by defeating the French ex-champion, Bernard Quellier, over 8 rounds. The Frenchman took counts in the second and sixth but nabbed Vittorio at the end of the seventh session with a hook to the chin. The bell sounded and Saraudi recovered.

Giulio was faced with the plucky Syrian, Mohamed Saieb, twleve pounds lighter. Saieb was completely outboxed but undamaged when the ref stopped the bout in the fourth. Bertini won from Bonanno in a welter six.

▸ **In ROME,** Billy Daniels was the first dangerous opponent for de Piccoli since the Folley fiasco and much depended on whether the big Italian could mop up Daniels' haymakers. De Piccoli didn't disappoint. He handed one of his own in the opening round and his opponent was floored from a smash to the midriff.

Daniels took another trip to the canvas in the next session and henceforth de Piccoli was able to box his way to a clear points win.

Giulio Rinaldi was involved in another disaster when he clashed heads with José Menno in the fourth round and both fighters were unable to continue. Result, "No Contest."

All-round athlete Don Smith, U.S.A., was ruled out in the second heat against Giuseppe Migliari in another heavies maul and Renato Moraes, Brazilian cruiser, disposed of Alfred Wogrig, who retired in the sixth.

Tommaso Galli added the scalp of Felix Alonso to his collection of bantam victims after a fast eight.

▸ **At TOULOSE, France**—Amand Vannucci returned to action, scoring a points win over the Spanish middleweight, Felipe Alayeto, in ten rounds and Lucien Fernandes was held to a draw by Francisco Ferry, Spanish welter making his first fight aboard.

▸ **EVREL, France** saw Marcel Cerdan score a points win over Jackie Chiche in a lightweight six.

▸ **At NEUILLY**—Michel Houdeau won from Koudier Meftah in a feathers 8 and the gypsy bantam prospect, Etienne Gimenez, knocked out the fragile Spaniard, Angel Heredia, in three.

▸ **At BRUSSELS**—Emile Saerens, Belgian middles champion, had no difficulty in outpointing Marc Desfourneaux of France over ten rounds, despite a badly cut eye from a collision in the sixth.

Silvano Lucchesi defeated Georges Fabbri in a welter 8, both Italians resident in Belgium, while Jean de Keers stopped the Tunisian bantam, Mohamed Bouazza, in five due to an injury.

Lionel outscored Etienne Gestel, French light-middle, over six and Pol Wallamacq nodded Emilio Magri in a welter six.

▸ **At Lorient, France**—André Dioua won from Louis Oberto, over 8 rounds, a disputed verdict, and Agustin Essono, flyweight, drew with Louis Gais in six.

▸ **BRUGES, Belgium** saw Emilio Magri, Italian-born welter, knock out Fernand Blanckaert in eight rounds. Carlos Vanneste decisioned Valére Mahau in a cruiser 8 and Jacques Sylveer halted Alfonso in six (lightweights).

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain**—Rafael Fernandez was held to a draw by Juan Margalef in a bantam 8 and Pedro Gomez Acebo trimmed Manuel Carvajal in a lightweight 8, at the Gran Price, Barcelona, Spain.

▸ **PIACENZA, Italy**—Sandro Lopopulo was in excellent form, defeating the Brazilian, Antonio de Jesus, over ten rounds.

▸ **RAVENNA, Italy**—Tramacieri was ruled out in Ravenna in five for holding against Fusconi, lightweights and Taroni forced Comandulli to retire in three (light-welters).

▸ **AREZZO**—Innocenti won clearly from Urbani in a feathers six at Arezzo.

▸ **CAEN, France** — Jean-Baptiste Rolland nabbed Marcel Fabre with a right to the chain just as their middles dispute got under way and it needed only a quick succession of blows to drop the Marseilles boxer for the full count, at Caen.

▸ **BOLOGNA, Italy**—As expected, Nino Benvenuti retained his national middles title at Bologna, Italy, by stopping Tommaso Truppi. He robbed Truppi of initiative during the second round when, after sending the challenger staggering to the ropes head down, Benvenuti grabbed his adversary to save him pitching through the cords. He then stepped back and went to a neutral corner instead of pulverizing Truppi.

The disheartened Truppi fought on but without spirit and finally walked to his corner after taking a count in the fifth.

In an energetic heavies six, Dante Cané was held to a draw by the Argentinian, Eduardo Corletti, in a battle of swiftly changing fortunes and Nevio Carbi got the better of French veteran, Michel Lamora, in a bantam eight.

Aldo Pravisani surprisingly knocked out Mario Lambertini in two (lightweights). Libertini was no match for the experienced ex-champion. Giovanni Girgenti, former amateur ace, belted out André Delclitte, of France, in the second with a left hook to the chin (Feathers).

▸ **VERONA, Italy**—Still undefeated, Giulio Graziani disputed his first 10-rounder against Isidro Bergua, of France, but the bout didn't go beyond the eighth. Bergua, constantly retreating, finally stopped a left in the liver, hit the deck regained his feet as the bell sounded and decided to retire. All this in Verona, Italy.

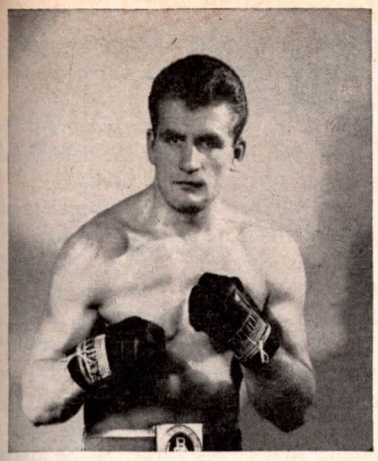
▸ **At MARSEILLES** — Marcel Cerdan continued to make progress by knocking out Marc Drevet in the fifth round of a lightweight bout.

▸ **At TOURS**—Another undefeated battler, featherweight Michel Houdeau, won from Alain Geoffroy in eight.

▸ **FROSINONE Italy,** saw new welter champion, Domenico Tiberia, disposed of Marcello Santucci without much trouble. Tiberia's left was never out of Santucci's face and body so that in the seventh he was twice counted on his feet and the ref stopped the bout. Angelo Neroni defeated Luigi Patrini in a middles eight.

▸ **LYONS, France**—Jean Parra came through with a convincing win over the tough Italian champion, Federico Scarponi, in a rousing bantam ten while Maurice Tavant scored an upset by knocking out the difficult Tunisian, Ameur Lamine, in the ninth heat of a lightie scrap.

Zech Defeats Bygraves



Gerhard Zech, German southpaw heavyweight, had to survive a second-round knockdown to outpoint Joe Bygraves in a ten-rounder. The decision gave Zech a 2-1 lead in his series with the Jamaica veteran.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO APRIL 24, 1965)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	LIGHTHEAVIES	MIDDLES	LIGHT MIDDLES
1. Karl Mildenberger (G)	1. Giulio Rinaldi (I)	1. Nino Benvenuti (I)	1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
2. Gerhard Zech (G)	2. Wil. von Homburg (G)	2. Luis Folledo (S)	2. Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Sante Amonti (I)	3. Benito Michelon (I)	3. Bo Hoberg (SW)	3. Yoland Leveque (F)
4. Piero Tomasoni (I)	4. Piero del Papa (I)	4. Souleyman Diallo (F)	4. Peter Muller (G)
5. Franco de Piccoli (I)	5. Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	5. Jupp Elze (G)	5. Jean Josselin (F)
6. Benito Penna (I)	6. Peter Gumpert (G)	6. Sugar Boy Nancio (H)	6. Chris Christensen (D)
7. Giuseppe Migliari (I)	7. Michel Vinot (F)	7. Bruno Santini (I)	7. Cesareo Barrera (S)
8. Benito Canal (S)	8. Paul Roux (F)	8. Fabio Bettini (I)	8. Ray Philippe (L)
9. Lennart Risberg (SW)	9. Baas van Duivenbode (H)	9. Emile Saerens (B)	9. Werner Mundt (G)
10. Albert Westphal (G)	10. Jose Luis Velasco (S)	10. Franco Fiori (I)	10. Ciro Cipriano (I)

WELTERWEIGHTS	LIGHT WELTERS	LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Fortunato Manca (I)	1. Olli Maki (Fn)	1. Willi Quatuor (G)	1. Yves Desmarets (F)
2. Domenico Tiberia (I)	2. Conny Rudhof (G)	2. Franco Brondi (I)	2. Andreas Silanos (I)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)	3. Angel Robinson Garcia (F)	3. Leon Zadourian (F)	3. Jose Lega (S)
4. Francois Pavilla (F)	4. Aissa Hashas (F)	4. Maurice Tavant (F)	4. Carmelo Coscia (I)
5. Carmelo Garcia (S)	5. Sandro Lopopolo (I)	5. Aldo Pravisani (I)	5. Sandro Schiavetta (I)
6. Luciano Piazza (I)	6. Juan Sombrita (S)	6. Karl Furcht (G)	6. Lino Mastellaro (I)
7. Klaus Klein (G)	7. Piero Brandi (I)	7. Armando Scorda (I)	7. Giuseppe Linzalone (I)
8. Alfredo Parmeggiani (I)	8. Efrem Donati (I)	8. Vicenzo Pitardi (I)	8. Kid Tano (S)
9. Cesario Barrera (S)	9. Ferand Nollet (F)	9. Roger Younsi (F)	9. Alberto Serti (I)
10. Giuliano Nervino (I)	10. Giordano Campari (I)	10. Angel Neches (S)	10. Primo Zamparini (I)

BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Mimun ben Ali (S)	1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. Risto Luukkonen (FN)	2. Rene Libeer (F)
3. Jean Parra (F)	3. Giuseppe Cali (I)
4. Felix Brami (F)	4. Luis Rodriguez (S)
5. Tommaso Galli (I)	5. Fritz Chervet (SD)
6. Pierre Vetroff (F)	6. Martin Barba (S)
7. Jose Arranz (S)	7. Antoine Porcel (F)
8. Angel Chinea (S)	8. Ho Horny (B)
9. Federico Scarponi (I)	9. Fabian Bellanco (S)
10. Nevio Carbi (I)	10. Paul Chervet (SD)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; L Luxembourg; S Spain; SD Switzerland; SW Sweden.

Antoine Porcel was held to a draw by the Italian, Giuseppe Cali, in a lively flyweight eight and his younger brother, Robert flattened Daniel Vuillaume in four (bantams).

René Roques got the better of André Bertholon in a lightweight six.

BESANCON, France — Jean Josselin caught up with wily Assane Fakyh in the eighth round of a welter bout and knocked him out with a hook to the chin.

Jean-Claude Rolland, a light-welter, nodded Marcel Zerbib in six.

MADRID, Spain—Cesareo Barrera handed Dramone Ouedrago his first defeat since leaving Africa, forcing his opponent to retire in the second round with a badly cut eye.

Kid Tano won clearly from the French feather, Oberto, in eight. Ricardo Navarro drew with Joaquin Martin in a lightweight 8.

BILBAO, Spain—Mariano Echevarria was unable to dispose of durable René Goubelle before the limit and had to content himself with a points decision after ten rounds.

Angel Neches trimmed Michel Lutsen in a fighties 8 and Martin Barba won from Gerard Macrez in a bantam eight.

SANTA CRUZ, Spain—José Arranz, latest bantam titleholder, paid a call to the Canaries in defense of the crown. Angel Chinea, after several good showings in France and Italy, was in the opposite corner and did well in the first six rounds. Arranz then staged a counter-attack and had Chinea retreating until the final gong. Arranz won on points.

NARBONNE, France—Joseph Gonzalez banged out Daniel Mousseau in less than one minute of their welter clash.

At **DENAIN**—Roger Younsi whipped Roger Verhelst, Belgian champion, in a light-welter ten.

PARIS—At the Central, Jacky Bottier decisioned Rolf Spicer in a lightwelter eight, Marcel Hameau won from Noel Wilkin in five (light-middles). Wilkin was disqualified, Jean-Claude Delgove knocked out Jacques Peig in five, light-welters.

At CAGLIARI, Italy—Fernando Atzori, the Olympic flyweight gold-medallist, debuted with a clear points win over the Spaniard, Manolin Alvarez, in a fast six-rounder.

Medda, a feather, and Ruggeri, lightweight, also made their debuts winning respectively over Contorno and Calandro. Ruggeri's win was very unpopular with the audience.

KIEL, Germany, saw Wilhelm von Homburg, 178, stopped Uli Ritter, 190, in a return match, in the fifth. Ritter made a hard fight of it but a hefty right to the head dazed him in the fourth round and he took a three count. After the fifth round, Ritter was advised to retire.

Albert Duscha, 175, lost on points to Kurt Ströer in eight and Peter Weiland, 222, avenged a previous defeat by trouncing Manfred Ackers, 202, over six rounds.

Lothar Abend, 129, won over the fast but fragile Hollander, Tony van Eyk, 132, who was sent back to his corner just before the final gong in the eighth round, after a third knockdown. Heini Meinhard, making a comeback, caught the tall Dane, Egon Thomsen, with a looping right early in the opening round. Thomsen went down, was up at "9" but still muzzy and so was counted out.

Werner Hallmann obliged Josef Metz, 140, to retire in the fourth after surviving two knockdowns himself.

LIVORNO, Italy—Romano Fanali debuted with a win over Lacerignola in a hard-fought light-welter six.

At **NAPLES**—Mario Lamagna did well to outscore experienced Ugo Fontana in a welter six, Lamagna's fourth bout.

BARCELONA, Spain — Lelo Suarez met Vicente Ferrando in a return clash and repeated the verdict of their previous match, winning over the Tiger of Elche in a welter 8.

A week later, again at the Gran Price, Lope de Pablo halted Juan Margalef in six, feathers.

BELLANO, Italy — Two newcomers to the flyweight ranks sorted matters out, Luigi Boschi obliging Di Carlo to retire in the second round.

In **NAPLES**—Mario Lamagna forced Carlos Vanalesta to leave in the third, after a knockdown, in a middles clash.

ESCH, Luxembourg—Ray Philippe, 159, boxed a return with Victor Raes, 165, and won comfortably on points. Their first match was a drawn.

ST. NAZAIRE, France—Claude Canu gained a points win over the Spanish middleweight, Silvestre Sevilla, over ten rounds and Roger Zami halted Lucien Desroches in six, light-welters. Barbe kayoed Aznil in three, lightweights.

BARCELONA, Spain—After two wins over Ferrando, Lelo Suarez was matched with Andres Navarro but after a series of hectic exchanges, his corner threw in the sponge during the third round.

José Luis Biescas, now a lightweight, bested Pedro Gomez Acebo in a fast 8-rounder and Miguel Munoz shaded Walter Beltramini in an unruly middles eight.

Antonio Torres decisioned stylish Elio Nieri, Italian welter, in a close-fought eight.

CALAIS, France—Daniel Deneux became the new light-welter champion by edging out Fernand Nollet over twelve rounds. Deneux was the aggressor. Jacques Jacob trounced Gerard Macaly for the Flanders bantam title, over ten rounds.

MARSEILLES, France—Jean Beltritti won the right to challenge Diallo for the middles title by outscoring blond Jackie Cailliau in a hotly disputed ten at the Verdi Theater.

MONTARGIS, France—Michel Houdeau, still undefeated, won from Jackie Chiche in a feathers eight and André Delande whipped Agustin Essono in a bantam six. Claude Lapinte trimmed veteran Marcel Chètien in a bantam six.

ROME — Gabriele Ceccangeli upset the former title contender Renato Galli in a feathers eight and the next day, Romano Bianchi bested the Brazilian, Antonio de Jesus in a welter eight.

Maccarelli outfought Bersani in a middles six, both making their pro debuts on an amateur show.

ROME—Manfred Ackers, 200, put up a game fight against Dante Cané, who took three counts in the second round and after the last knockdown, the ref intervened.

Remo Golfarini, 156, won easily over Helmut Klass, Germany, who was sent to his corner in the second round due to a bad nosebleed.

AREZZO, Italy—Antonio Paiva, classy Brazilian lightweight, gave a stylish display of boxing to outscore the Spaniard, Fernando Riera, over 8 rounds.

After warnings for too-cautious boxing, Pietro Ziino and Edo Petrucci engaged in a furious lightweight slam won by Ziino.

Innocenti beat Augusto Moia in a feathers six and Fabozzi trounced Tigellio Carta in a middles six. Rotondo trimmed Campanile in six, lightweights.

CREMONA, Italy—Luigi Lucini won clearly from Benny Lee in a bantam eight, but was unexpectedly floored in the opening round by a sharp left hook.

Scatolini drew with Sambursiti in a light-welter six and Pozza debuted, beating Mario Bacchetti in a middles six.

AOSTA, Italy—Silvio Bettoni, local light-middles aspirant, won clearly over Salvatore Colella in a good 8-round bout. Three new recruits entered the fight market, Pasquale Spinella, 110, losing to Luigi Boschi in six; Natale Minniti, stopping featherweight Giuliano Pedroncelli in a three, and Ezio Castagna edging Luigi Comandulli in a light welter six.

LA ROCHELLE, France — Marcel Cerdan continued his barnstorming tour, winning over Pierre Beaudemont in a lightweight six. René Pigny debuted with a win over Roger Grison in a feathers six.

PAVIA, Italy—Luis Penteado, who started his Italian tour, has been matched with only leading scrappers. He blitzed Giordano Campari in the second session with a shattering right to the chin and Campari was out on his feet.

A wild onslaught by the Brazilian was interrupted by the ref, who counted "8" and Campari boxed out of trouble. Afterwards it was Campari making the pace and he finally had Penteado helpless by the seventh, when the ref halted the bout.

Giovanni Biancardi defeated Gobbo in a cruiser six, Luigi Patrini drew with Soprani in a welter six and Veneroni debuted by stopping Cavazza in two, bantams.

At the Central, Paris, the American lightweight John White stopped Robert di Martino in two rounds and Pierre Minier scored an upset by knocking out Victor Emanuello in four (middleweights).

The following day, Roger Wallaert drew with Gilles Dieudé in a lightheavy eight.

BILBAO, Spain—A new flyweight champion was crowned when Fabian Bellanco decisioned Luis Rodriguez of Valencia over 12 rounds. Rodrigeuz was hurt in th fourth and took a count in the final round.

Angel Neches won from René Rourre in a lightweight 8 and Moral was clearly out-fought by René's brother, Paul, in a feathers six.

BARCELONA, Spain—Serafin Cardos outscored Rafael Fernandez in a bantam 8 and Esteban de Paco obliged Henry Gil to retire in the sixth feathers.

Buddy Turman, 187, was a class better than Carl Welschou, 200, but the gallant Dane kept slinging punches until his corner threw in the towel during the fourth, Welshou took two counts.

Willi Quatuor, 137, fought a rugged duel with Joe Tetteh, of Ghana, who put up a lively scrap until he suffered a cut eye in the sixth, allowing Quatuor to win in ten rounds.

Karl Furcht, 136, found the Finn, Jarmo Bergloef, a tough cusftomer and was lucky to share the decision after eight rounds.

Manfred Hass, 160, essayed a comeback by drubbing plucky Horst Borzoskowski over six rounds.

MIKE VALENTINO, MALTESE FALCON, POWERFUL, NASTY

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brutality. Rib-cracking kicks and stomps pounded Czaya to the mat repeatedly, ring-rattling body slams and spinesnapping backbreakers, a Valentino specialty, battered all thoughts of an offense from the Hungarian's ace's mind. Only by sheer instinct was Nandor able to avoid Mike's match-ending body press and hang on for a draw verdict.

Even anti-Valentino ringsiders had to admit that the short time limits on their matches saved Nandor, a grappler who takes a while to warm up to his task, then breaks loose with high-soaring tactics.

"Nandor was lucky, very lucky!" Valentino raged after their bouts. *"That birdman is no wrestler—clip his wings like I did and he's nothing! One of these days, I'll tear him apart!"*

Valentino's harsh ranting in the direction of other grapplers is in direct contrast to his friendly, out-of-the-ring manner. *"Why should I growl at a promoter, or a reporter?"* Mike laughs. *"They're no threat to my record, and I'm not one of those guys who's supposed to be mean and sneering all the time. Another thing—I don't think I have to prove to anyone but the other wrestlers that I'm tough in that ring!" He says it pointedly, and he means it.*

Mike's friendly mien away from the noisy arena extends to his home neighborhood in Toronto, as well as to all those who meet him. There, he's known as a fine friend and neighbor, and a pillar of the community.

He logs over 100,000 miles each year, most of it by car. And wherever Valentino is, it's a sure bet that his attractive wife and six-year old son Mike Jr. aren't too far away.

"What a kid that Mike is!" Valentino exults. *"Just six, and he squawks his head off if he can't go to the T.V. studio with me if I wrestle there. He's my biggest fan, and you ought to hear him holler when his mother takes him to the arena!"*

In the same category falls Mike's pretty, dark-hairde wife. *"I wouldn't think of going on the road without her,"* Mike reveals." *"Mind you, it'll be difficult when little Mike starts to school next fall. I'll have to arrange my bookings so that we can keep him in one school for at least a term at a time. But that's a small price to pay for having the family with me."*

With all the physical wear and tear of his demanding profession, the long trips and time away from his family, how long does the Maltese Falcon intend to inhabit the violent world that he's created for himself? How long can he take it?

"Who can say?" Mike shrugs his broad shoulders. *"Barring injury, I'll stay around quite a few years. Until now, I've been lucky—just a busted-up nose and cauliflower ears to show for ten years of wrestling. But who can say what will happen tonight, or tomorrow night?"*

"The day I quit is the day I can't perform as I think I should," Mike continued. *"Right now, I'm right on top of it—my body does just as I want it to. And there's the fans to be considered—remember, a professional athlete has a responsibility to entertain them. Lots of guys hang around when they can't do that any more, when they can't turn in a good match. When I hit that point, I'll get out of wrestling, and let someone better than me in that ring."*

Suddenly, he changed his tack. "You know, spending six nights a week in a noisy, smoky arena is one hell of a life. You wrestle, maybe you win, maybe you lose. You drive half the night to your next booking—you're cramped in the car, the food in the roadside cafes is poor. The next night, maybe there's no hot water in the showers, maybe you wrestle with a heavy cold, a torn cartilage or a bad back. There's always something."

"But hell—the discomforts, the fans giving you a hard time, even with all that—I wouldn't trade places with any other man."

We hope Mike Valentino stays around his violent world for a lot of years to come. He's a dedicated man, and wrestling could use a lot more like him.

BLIND STRANGLER HAS HIS RELIGION

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wooden model of the human head and inserted a lot of springs which made it react as if it were on the shoulders of a mat foe.

Lewis worked with that dummy head for hours at a time and developed the muscles with which he executed the head lock on mat rivals.

At first his beaten foes screamed that this hold was illegal. But Ed defended it with vigor, physically and orally.

"The Strangler" the writers began to call Lewis, and the name stuck. There had been a previous Strangler Lewis, christened Evan.

Lewis's first big pro victory was achieved in a carnival not far from the college campus. Ed smothered the strong man who opposed him. It became apparent that Lewis was wasting time and losing money by remaining at Kentucky. So he abandoned his chances for a degree and went into the battle for dough.

Lewis weighed only 175 pounds at the time and realized that to achieve success in a game populated heavily by behemoths he would have to be especially fast, especially tricky, especially adroit in every way.

The Strangler's progress was fast and dramatic. The records say he held the world title no fewer than five times, but the fact is he was the champion six times.

The book does not give him credit for the devasting manner in which he cleaned up the big and able field in Jack Curley's famous 1914 tournament in New York's Manhattan Opera House.

Wrestling veterans never will forget the match in which Lewis won the championship from Joe Stecher, another all time great, on December 13, 1920, in the Seventy First Regiment Armory in New York. Curley was the promoter.

It was the Lewis head lock against Joe's scissors hold and it was one of the toughest fights in the history of the sport.

Stecher, who had taken the title from Earl Caddock, was favored to beat the Strangler. Joe weighed 208 pounds, Ed 228.

During the first hour Stecher had the better of Ed. Toe holds, arm locks, the body scissors, all were clamped on Lewis. But, strong and resourceful, he got out of one trying situation after another. Lewis repeatedly put his head lock into action but he never could keep it on Stecher for more than thirty seconds at a time. But eventually it did the trick.

One day Lewis will furnish all of the details. At this time let it suffice that after three hours Lewis made his head lock work, and became the new champion.

After Lewis had beaten Stecher Ed ran into a Tartar in Stanislaus Zbyszko. Ed took a flying leap at the elder Zbyszko and missed. The Pole pounced on him and it was all over, in the incredibly fast time of 23 minutes 17 seconds.

Now Lewis sits in his home here, ruminating over his days of glory—yes, and his nights of defeat—and perhaps wondering how he would manage things if he had to do them over again.

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WORLD-WIDE RESULTS

For the Month Ending April 15, 1965

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Thad Spencer beat Billy Daniels, 10. Brian London won from Billy Walker, 10. Hubert Hilton stopped Johnny Prescott, 4. Elmer Rush kayoed Tony Anchondo, 1; Roy Rogers, 1. Franco de Piccoli kayoed Floyd Joyner, 1.

Fitz Roy Whyte beat Ulrie Regis, 10. Dick Wipperman kayoed Teddy Burns, 3. Jeff Davis decisioned Sonny Moore, 10. Jim Beattie halted Tom McNeeley, 5. Gail Wright drew with Rafael Zabalbescoa, 10. Peter Leaney retained Australian title by outpointing Young Stanke, 15.

Ray Staples kayoed Jimmy Brown, 1. Leotis Martin stopped Earl Battles, 3. Chuck Wepner drew with Everett Copeland, 6. Larry Renault kayoed Bob Maynard, 3. Dave Centi beat Richie Peters, 6.

Willie Johnson kayoed Duke Johnson, 2. Rees Van Herringen kayoed Alex Rios, 3. Tommy Hunt stopped Al Johnson, 3.

Joe White stopped Jimmy Riccio, 4. Johnny Cook halted Don Shaw, 1. Louis Hicks beat Frank Fudge, 6. Billy Marquart beat Isaac Grubb, 4.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

Jose Torres kayoed Willie Pastrano, 9, to win the World Light-Heavyweight Title. Bobby Foster stopped Dave Russell, 6. Allen Thomas beat Eddie Dembry, 6. Andy Kendall kayoed Joe Bryan, 3; Rocky Proano, 2, and beat Syl Carter, 10.

Larry Carney stopped Eddie Owens, 5. Jack Rodgers beat Sam Sellers, 6. Stanford Bulla beat Bob Avena, 6. Willie Taylor won from Lou Howard, 6.

Eddie Owens beat Vardell McCann, 6. Bobo Bonaparte stopped Don Simpson, 4. Al Kivlin beat Nat Thompson, 6.

Jimmy Simpson kayoed Ray Wilkens, 4. Kid McCoy decisioned Eddie Spence, 6. Ray Pepin beat Clem Sarazin, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Dick Tiger stopped Rocky Rivero, 6. Ruben Carter stopped Harry Scott, 9. Nino Benvenuti kayoed Dick Knight, 6, beat Rip Randell, 10. Luis Folledo outpointed Bob Cofie, 10. Denny Moyer decisioned Hilario Morales, 10.

Gomeo Brennan retained British Empire middleweight title by outpointing Earl Nikora, 15. Florentino Fernandez kayoed Bobo Reckley, 1. Veteran Chris Christensen announced his retirement after being stopped by Bruno Visintin for European junior title, 11. Ernie Burford beat Bill Belchia, 10. Sandro Lopololo won Italian junior title by stopping Piero Brandi, 8.

Jimmy McMillan kayoed Johnny Knight, 1. Domenico Tiberia stopped Jesse Jones, 6. Masao Condo beat Ben Argoncillo, 10. Milo Calhoun outfought Daniel Leullier, 8. Jo Gonzalez stopped Francois Bocchieri, 3, and Tony Montano, 3.

Armand Vanucci outpointed Felipe Alayeto, 10. Jimmy Lloyd outfought Dennis Read, 8. Ferd Hernandez beat Nick Acevedo, 10. Gene Robinson decisioned Rocky Randell, 10.

Jerry Locker halted Ritchie Smith, 3. Andy Heilman beat Aristeo Chavarin, 10. Johnny Gumbs outpointed Rudolph Bent, 10, and lost to Kid Banga, 10.

Lynoll Ifill kayoed Young Braddock, 10. Henry Aldridge stopped Leon Linscomb, 4. Doug McLeod stopped Mike Brown, 4. Ossie Marcano beat Bobby Cassidy, 8.

Gene Robinson won from Johnny Hobbs, 8. Eddie Owens drew with Danny Garcia, 8. Eddie Spencer kayoed Angel Morales, 4. Mike Ryan drew with Charles Hyman, 6.

Benny Briscoe lost to Percy Manning, 8. Bobby Warthem kayoed Larry Little, 5. Danny Garcia beat Danny Andrews, 6. Freddie DeVore stopped Luis Vinales, 4.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Emile Griffith retained the World Welterweight Title by outpointing Jose Sable, 15. Manny Gonzalez outpointed Gaspar Ortega, 10. Luis Rodriguez kayoed Johnny Smith, 10. (Middleweight fight). Willie Ludick beat Brian Curvis, 10.

Curtis Cokes kayoed Marshall Wells, 12, to win Texas Welterweight Title. Joey Durelle beat Al Duarte, 10. Carmelo Bossi outpointed Luciano Piazza, 8. Rudy Garcia kayoed Harold Nelson, 2. Oscar Morris drew with Cecil Mott, 10.

Kazuyoshi Kubokura beat Kang Kyu-Soon, 10. Cesareo Barrera stopped Franco Nenci, 2. Chappell Funneye kayoed Al Andrews, 7.

Severo Balboa beat Mike Lamb, 6. Billy Lonergan beat Russell Shoulars, 6. Cecil Mott drew with Bernie Magallanes, 8.

Larry Adkins decisioned Butch Johnson, 6. Albert Breau halted Paul Connors, 3. Etienne Sarazin beat Jean Avena, 6. Denis Leonard stopped Paul Connors, 3. Don Sprague defeated Juan Ramos, 4.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Jose Napoles kayoed Giordano Campari, 2. Paul Fujii outpointed Leopoldo Corona, 10; and kayoed Arnie Cotarobles, 8. Ted Whitfield stopped Young Joe Walcott, 5; and beat Dick French, 10. Lennox Beckles beat Simple Simon, 10. Laurie James won from Ken Mathias, 10. Kid Bassey decisioned Basil Campbell, 10. Lloyd Marshall beat Jerry Brewer, 10; and stopped Len Thomas, 2. Eugenio Espinoza drew with Luis Leon, 10.

Alfonso Franco decisioned Raul Jara, 10. Rocky Alarde won from Ador Plaza, 10. Eugenio Espinoza kayoed Clarence Brown, 1. Daniel Guanin stopped Enrique Ospino, 7. Koji Okano beat Eiji Maruki, 10.

Daniel Deneux acquired French title by outpointing Fernand Nollet, 15. Henry Costoso stopped Billy Anderson, 5. Doyle Shiver beat Sonny Cummings, 4, and lost to Prentice Clark, 4.

Jorge Morales drew with Zurdo Ulloa, 4. Doug Charles kayoed Sammy Campbell, 1. Ronnie Sampson kayoed Johnny Dixon, 1.

Ulysses Jiminez halted Nelson Cuevas, 1. Bolo Martinez drew with Luke Ervin, 6. Mario Saurennann stopped Leon Sower, 3.

Omar Leon drew with Matt Sheffield, 4, and lost to George Sawyer, 4. Jimmy Parson kayoed Bobby Connors, 1.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Nicolino Loche beat Hugo Rambaldi, 10. Paul Armstead kayoed Joe Tetteh, 6, and lost to Johnny Cooke, 10. Vic Andretti kayoed Joe Brown, 5. Franco Brondi acquired vacant European title by stopping Leon Zadourian, 3.

Joey Olguin beat Sergio Gomez, 10. Gilberto Biondi retained Australian title by stopping Graham Dicker, 11. Dave Patterson beat Johnny Brooks, 12. Marcel Cerdan outpointed Jacques Chiche, 6.

Pedro Ramos stopped Jack Castillo, 6. Spike McCormack outpointed Mickey Laud, 8. Barry Foster stopped Barry Mason, 7, and outpointed Ken Duncan, 4.

Floyd Richardson beat Ashjon Angel, 8. Doug Agin outpointed Rudy Richardson, 8. Orlando Ruiz won from Matt Sheffield, 8. Angel Torres outpointed Richard Frazer, 6. Floyd Molina beat Bobby Garza, 6, and outpointed Mike Marquez, 6. Andy Matta decisioned Flavio Toro, 4.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Vincente Derado drew with Jaime Valladares, 10. Beto Maldonado beat Willie Ray, 10. Mamoru Hayashi decisioned Yasunobu Takada, 10.

Catalino Arpon defeated Ray Rivera, 10. Sugar Can Carreon beat Kid Centino, 10. Rey Miller drew with Celso Patiag, 4. Luis Altamirano drew with German Castelbondo, 10.

Carol Mendoza won from Grady McLendon, 6, and drew with Eddie Linder, 8. Tony Cruz drew with M. C. Cordova, 4, and then lost to Cordova, 4. Jimmy Stone beat Jackie Luke, 4. Eddie Dela Cruz drew with Blas Viera, 4. Gene Toran beat Tommy Tibbs, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Howard Winstone beat Don Johnson, 10. Carlos Canete kayoed Carlos Rios, 3, Eduardo Lopez, 2. Jaime Valladares drew with Vincente Derado, 10. Ricardo Moreno kayoed Benny Burton, 5, Luis Echevesta, 1, and Manny Ochoa, 2. Baby Luis stopped Humberto Baby Barrera.

Rocky MacDougall beat Gil Boulay, 10. Dave Hilton kayoed Cliff McGuire, 4. Compton Callender stopped Malcolm Bryan, 8. Jose Legra outpointed Mario Sitri, 10.

Nario Torres stopped Jessie Necessario, 6. Roy Amolong defeated Guam Typhoon, 10. Hiroshi Kobayshi halted Kwon Soo-Bok, 7. Rokuro Ishiyama beat Lee TongpChun, 10.

Katsutoshi Aoki stopped Lee Young-Pal, 6. Brian Cartwright outpointed Mick Greaves, 10. Antonio Ferreira drew with Renato Galli, 8. Luther Smith halted Johnny Lawson, 1.

Mike Mamarelli kayoed Mike Manti, 2. Jerry Powers outpointed Jack Stringer, 6. Joe Barrientes won from Tito Guillen, 6, and kayoed Buddy Scott, 1. Star Pete kayoed Rosalave Kid, 5.

Joe Lepitan beat Tony Balajadia, 6. Alex Alarde halted Porfirio Roda, 2. James Clavilaz stopped Tony Jumao-as, 3. Curly Aguirre kayoed Juanito Martinez, 4. Flory Kid drew with Aquino Junior, 4. Blas Viera stopped Pete Spanakos, 3.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Jesus Pimental kayoed Manny Linson, 2, Manuel Tarrazon, 3. Alex Benitez beat Ray Asis, 10. Katsuyoshi Takayama outpointed Katsuo Haga, 10. Tetsuya Yamagami decisioned Kim Hyon, 10.

Noel Kunde beat Ray Perez, 12. Alan Rudkin kayoed Johnny Caldwell, 10, to win British Empire Bantamweight title. Jacques Jacob outpointed Gerard Macrez, 10, but was stopped by Bob Allotey, 2.

Arnulfo Torrevillas beat Buddy Boy, 8. Rudy Villagonza kayoed Cherry Montano, 10. Nicanor Cruz drew with Fil Bartolome, 8. Jorobado Olvera beat Crescencio Mendez, 10. Chino Vera kayoed Jose Gonzalez, 4.

Andres Molina stopped Manuel Perez, 4. Miguel Castro halted Chucho Hernandez, 7. Chucho Castillo kayoed Goyo Sanchez, 1. Manuel Ramirez stopped Raul Martinez, 3.

Nilo Serrano stopped Oznida Kid, 6. Alex Abella beat Gonzalo Jugar, 4. Jimmy Valdez drew with Rocky Talo, 4. Eddy Boy outpointed Manny Irinco, 4. Wilfredo Garcia beat Roger Holland, 4.

FLYWEIGHTS

Salvatore Burruni stopped Joseph Horny, 5. Hiroyuki Ebihara kayoed Hideki Osaka, 3. Bob Allotey halted Jacques Jacob, 2. Jet Parker outpointed Bernabe Villacampo, 10. Akashi Namekawa beat Kenichi Iida, 10. Billy Smith stopped Roger Franchette, 6, to retain North American Flyweight Title.

Henry Acide beat Rudy Billiones, 10. Frisco Saquin halted Manny Diolata, 9. Fernando decisioned Fernando Zamora, 8. Ernie Jayme won from Tony Racho, 8.

Rocky Padilla bested James Gallenoz, 8. Cornelio won over Wonder Boy Ramos, 10. Al Diaz kayoed Tom Rico, 1. Mateo Jaimes halted Genaro Garcia, 2. Antonio Garcia stopped Rogelio Mendoza, 1. Fabian Payo Bellanco annexed Spanish title by outpointing Luis Rodriguez, 12.

Filomeno Villa halted Francisco Trejo, 6. Gallego Gomez won by a disqualification over Jaime Perez, 4. David Ferrer beat Enrique Gaspar, 6.

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NATIONAL AAU SENIOR BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Hal Grothjan

The National AAU Senior Boxing Championships were held at the new Lucas County Recreation Center in suburban Maumee, Ohio. More than 100 of the country's top amateurs toiled their way through 90 bouts over a three day span which was climaxed with the title bouts in ten weight divisions.

The award for the outstanding fighter was given to Rober Russell, the 178-pound champion, a 17-year-old Philadelphia high school student with an 18-1 record. He scored two knockouts and two decisions on his way through the field.

The fighter who caught the crowd's fancy, however, was Heavyweight king, Boon Kirkman, a rough, tough 192-pounder from Renton, Washington, in the heart of the lumberjack country. Boon, a ruggedly handsome concrete products worker who is 20 years old, scored knockouts in the semi finals and finals, demonstrating a tough chin and good punching power.

Kirkman slammed his way to the National crown with his third straight technical knockout when he floored Felming Mosley, a 27 year old school teacher from Cleveland in the second round and the latter couldn't continue.

Russell won the unanimous decision over Curtis Thomas of Cincinnati in the 178 pound class.

In the 132-pound class, veteran Herb Dolloson of Washington, D.C., sent Ulysses Mercer of Brooklyn, sagging to the ropes with hard rights for second round TKO.

Here are the seven new champions who won by decisions:

Sam Goss of Trenton, N.J., beat Benny Gerolaga of Stockton, Calif., in the 112-pound class; George Colon of New York City edged Johnny North of Cincinnati for the 119-pound title, Lawrence Hines of Philadelphia won over Bobby Broussard of New Iberia, La., at 125 pounds.

Ray Garay of Houston, Tex., nipped Gene Glen of Cleveland in the 139-pound class, Hodgeman Lewis of Detroit beat Cliff Wills of Cincinnati at 147 pounds.

In the heavier weights, Conrad Williams of Homestead, Pa., topped Henry Castre of New York City, at 156 pounds and George Cooper of Oakland, Calif., won over William Morton of Washington, D.C. at 165 pounds.

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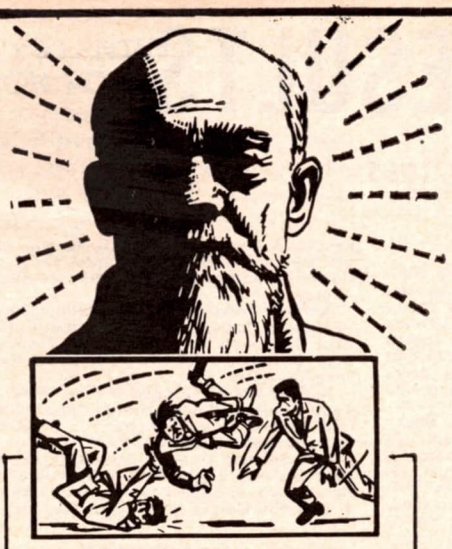

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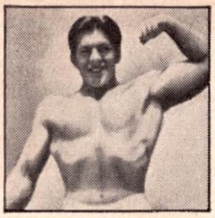

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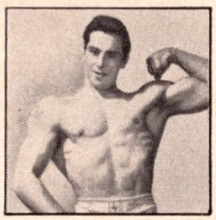

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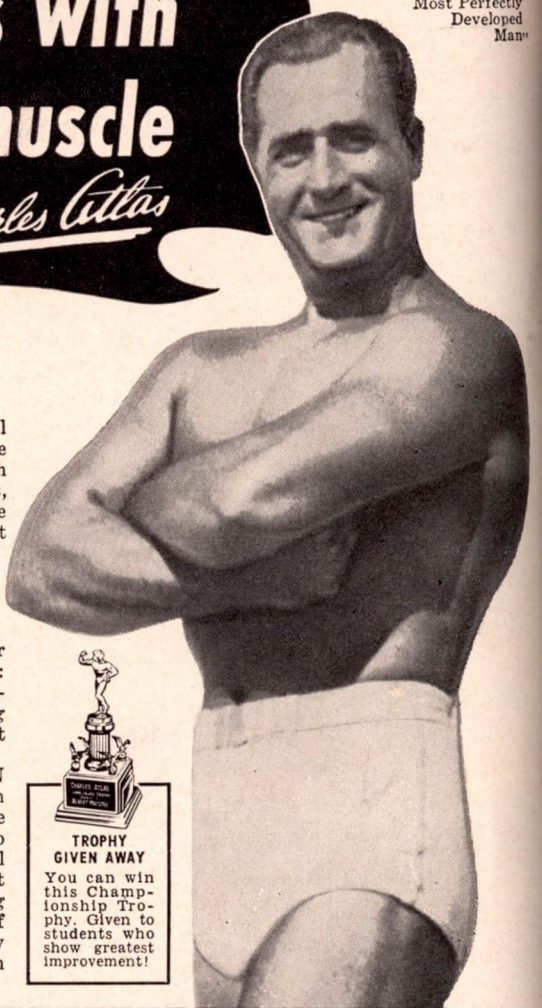

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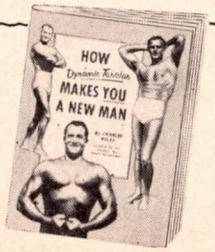

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